



WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

IT CANNOT BE UNDERSTOOD UNTIL GIVEN THE FRANCHISE.

IT IS NOT BELIEVED THAT GOD MEANT IN THE BEGINNING TO LIMIT THE SPHERE OF WOMAN. THE FRANCHISE IN HER HANDS WOULD PROVE A POWER OF BENEFICE.

In military prisons an offender is sometimes sentenced to carry heavy balls from one place to another, and life there is all day long. That is all. Perhaps it does not seem very terrible but it soon wears his life out. It is practically a death sentence, and he knows it; he would rather be shot. Many a sick man feels the same way about the burden of disease that he is lugging back and forth from day to day. He would as soon be down with a mortal disease. It will not do to let some one else do it.

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WHAT WILL IT MATTER?

It mattereth not though with exquisite skill
You select both arrow and bow
Only God, who marks the sparrow's flight,
Directeth the path it shall go.

It mattereth not if the song you shall sing
Be chosen from all others apart
Tis God alone can attune thy tone
To weary, grief-worn heart.

You may search the Scriptures from Genesis
on—

As revealed by inspired pen;
You may choose out the sweetest of beautiful
words—

God only can fit them to men.

You may write from the depth of your inmost
soul—

Of the tender, sweet themes graven there,
But only the Master can use the poor words
To bless or to comfort despair.

But yet thou shall hold with a firm, steady
hand

A shaft and a bow nonpareil,

And the Workman who forged them will guide
thee aright

And destine the point of thy steel.

The song thou shalt sing shall be rarest and
best

That from master and poet may fall;
Thy voice be attuned to its sweetest cadence,
And through thy tones God's will will call.

And write as God shall inspire thy pen.
Though no heed upon earth may be given,
Thine own soul will glow with the beautiful
thought

And he will reveal it in heaven.

—Rose Van B. Speeoce.

AN OLD RAZOR.

The Story of What Led to Its Rusty
Condition.

I found it lying, apparently neglected,
in the corner of a drawer.

"You hardly seem in flourishing cir-
cumstances. To what do you attribute
your rusty condition?"

"Mostly to pride."

"Pride? That is a very singular state-
ment."

"Well, I considered that my owner did
not treat me with proper respect, so the
next time we met I cut him."

"Dead?"

"Not exactly, but he felt decidedly
hurt."

"Did he remonstrate?"

"It would grieve me to repeat the lan-
guage he used, but I was a match for him.
Latterly I have prided myself on my
bluntness and am sure that I made him
wince."

"Was it then that you gave up shaving?"

"Yes, I was forcibly retired without a
pension. Still, I am not so keen on shav-
ing as I was when younger."

"Perhaps you feel that you are now
reaping the results of your folly?"

"Reaping! Is thy servant a scythe that
you should talk of reaping?"

"And I fancied that the razor ground its
edge with indignation."

"I apologize. I did not suppose you
had anything to do with corn cutting.
By the way, what have been your most
thrilling experiences?"

"I have been partially swallowed by a
baby. I have also been photographed in
my case by the X rays."

"As an ex-razor, I presume, but there
is nothing very thrilling about it. Have
you not something more exciting to tell
me?"

"Once a foolish young fellow, who had
been crossed in love, surreptitiously bor-
rowed me. He carefully felt my edge,
strapped me to a riot, and then—"

"Then what?"

"Shut me up. And if you will be so
exceedingly kind as to take the hint I
shall feel very much obliged."

And the razor shut up.—Fred Edmonds
in London Sketch.

Bows.

When the woman suffrage argument
first stood upon its legs, they
answered it with cabbages, they
answered it with eggs, they
answered it with ridicule, they
answered it with scorn, they
thought it a monstrosity that
should not have been born.

When the woman suffrage argument
grew vigorous and wise, and was
not to be silenced by these
opposite replies, they turned their opposition into
reasoning severe upon the limitations of our God-
appointed sphere.

We were told of disabilities, a long
array of these, till one would think that womanhood
was merely a disease; and the "material sacrifice" was added
to the plan.

Of the various sacrifices we have
always made to man.

They would not hear to reason, they
would not fairly yield, they would not own their arguments
were beaten in the field; but time passed on, and somehow, we
need not ask them how, whatever all those arguments, we do
not hear them now!

You may talk of woman suffrage now
with an educated man, and he agrees with all you say, as
sweetly as he can; would be better for us all, of course,
if womanhood was free, but "the women do not want it," and
so it must not be!

Did we ask for veils and harem in the
Oriental races? Did we beseech to be "unclean," shut
out of sacred places? Did we seek to be forbidden from all
the trades that pay? Did we claim the lower wages for a
man's full work to-day?

What women want has never been a
strongly acting cause.

When woman has been wronged by
man in churches, customs, laws; why should he find this preference so
largely in his way?

When he himself admits the right of
what we ask to-day?

—Charlotte Perkins Stetson.

The Moving Power.

It was a woman, after all, who was the
moving power in the investigation of
army abuses. After seeing for herself
how things were at Montauk, Mrs. John A. Logan proceeded, in her
characteristically forcible manner, to "go
after" the War Department. She went to
General Alger and informed him of
the drunkenness, incompetency, and
general criminal neglect of those in
authority, telling him more truth in
one evening, says our informant, than
he could have obtained from the official
reports in a lifetime. When she got
through with him, the secretary packed
his grip and started on a visit of inspection
to Camp Wilcox. What soldier,
sick or well, will deny that Mrs. Logan
would herself make a most efficient war
secretary? The full privileges of a
cabinet should at least be extended to
her—to be exercised or not as she saw
fit.—London Tit-Bits.

The average consumption of coal by a
first class ocean steamer, fitted with compound
engines, is about 40 tons a day. Four times that much was consumed
for the compound engine was introduced.

Ant hills in West Africa sometimes
reach the height of 15 feet.

—Chicago Union Signal.

—London Tit-Bits.

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A SOCIALIST MAYOR.

Unusual interest was felt in the inaugural address of Mayor Chase of Haverhill, as he is the first socialist to have been elected in this state. But those who expected something very radical were disappointed, as the same ideas have been advanced by men who did not claim to be socialists. Mr. Chase's kind of socialism seems to consist only of a more than ordinary regard for the rights of the individual, as opposed to those of corporations.

His ideas were far from incendiary, but there are socialists and socialists, and in the great number of new theories advanced for the salvation of the country, it is interesting to have one scheme put in practical operation, so that the world can judge of the results.

Mayor Chase said that "every atom of power" possessed by the mayor should be "exercised in the defense and support of the principles of socialism in so far as they may be applicable to a municipality." The mayor then referred to the desirability of preserving equal rights upon which "the liberty and happiness of every man, woman and child are conditioned," and asserted that these are possible of attainment "only through the establishment of the co-operative commonwealth." Continuing, Mayor Chase said: "I believe that every power the municipality possesses should be placed at the disposal of the people in the interest of civilization. With that aim in view, I submit the following specific recommendations: First, the passage of an order establishing the minimum wage for street employees at \$2 for eight hours' work; second, union wages and conditions to prevail in all brick and stone masons' work performed under the direction of the street department; third, all city printing to bear the union label.

The mayor then took up the subject of the unemployed, which, he said, had developed from the displacement of labor by machinery and the concentration of capital, and a question which, he said, no municipality could solve, as it had become a national and international one. "Yet," he said, "some little relief at least can be afforded by the city government. I therefore recommend: First, that you secure a tract of land suitable for the raising of food products, and that such of the unemployed as desire be permitted to use said land, the city to furnish proper seeds and tools; second, the enlargement of the fuel yard at the city farm to such proportions as will permit all who desire to earn by their labor such fuel as they may require; third, the appropriation of such an amount of money as circumstances may warrant to be used in providing employment directly upon public works, not in competition with the regular employees of the city, but upon special works, two kinds of which I herewith suggest: first, improvement of the park system; second, construction of a system of bicycle paths through all principal thoroughfares."

Mayor Chase condemned the system of contracting with the lowest bidder for city work, and said the system should not be tolerated. He said: "Low bids mean cheap work; cheap work means cheap men and low wages, and low wages lower the standard of citizenship. The city should perform its own work and furnish its own material, giving employment to its citizens." . . . "The burden of taxation should be equitably distributed, and in exact proportion to the holdings of each citizen. Large property owners should not be allowed to evade or delay their just proportion of taxation because of their influence in the community, and in electing assessors we should be extremely careful to elect men who will show no partiality." The mayor advocated increased appropriations for educational purposes, municipal ownership of the electric lighting plants and street railways.

It is a rather large contract for one mayor to undertake, but the Haverhill experiment may have a great influence in other cities if it meets with any measure of success. The probability is all against this, however, as it would take a man of unusual force of character and ability to triumph against the many ramifications of the various circumlocution offices we have established in this country, and which render any radical departure from ordinary methods almost impossible.

THE OLD FOLKS' HOME.

Mr. Edward L. Pickard presents in another column an appeal for the Old Folks' Home, soon to be established in Newton, from the proceeds of the Stone fund, and gives the needs of the institution to put it on a self supporting basis.

With his characteristic generosity, Mr. Pickard promises \$1,000 towards a permanent fund, and hopes to be able to find forty-nine other gentlemen to do the same.

which ought not to be difficult here in Newton. The Home will have an income of \$2,000 a year, but it is thought that if \$500 can be raised it will be put on a self-sustaining basis.

A great many pledges have been received towards the expenses of the first year, and while these are all welcome, and it is hoped that all interested in this worthy charity will contribute as they are able, yet a permanent fund will put it on a better basis, and such a Home will be a credit to Newton.

As Mr. Pickard says, there ought to be some better place in Newton than the poor house, for those self-respecting people who have always been able to take care of themselves, but upon whom misfortune has come in their old age, and who have not enough to provide for their needs. Nearly every city has an institution of this kind, and it is rather strange that it has been so long postponed in Newton. A beautifully situated house and grounds have been secured, and the way is opened for the starting of the Home, in a manner creditable to Newton.

It is always worth while to hear from the other side. For instance, in the opinion of those outside of Pennsylvania, absolutely nothing could be said in favor of Senator Quay, and yet here is one of his supporters getting up in caucus and landing him after this fashion:

A wise, brilliant, dashing, daring political leader, who has earned the right to be styled as he is the greatest political general the country has ever produced, and the Republicans another "Ulises to the Greeks," plucking victory from almost certain defeat; a statesman whose broad and liberal views have left their imprint on the legislation of the nation; whose efforts for the workingmen of the country have brought peace, happiness and comfort into thousands of homes, and his name is today enshrined in their hearts as the protector and savior of Pennsylvania industries; who, during 12 years of service in the United States Senate wielded an influence second to none."

This is certainly rather crushing to those who supposed nothing could be said for him, but it will be noticed that not a word is said of his honesty.

It is said that five hundred millions were represented at the annual dinner of the Boston Merchants' Association, Tuesday night. Newton was well represented, as it contributed the president, James Richard Carter, Beverly K. Moore, the secretary, and a long list of other diners, including Hon. J. R. Leeson, Mayor Henry E. Cobb, Mayor-elect E. B. Wilson, E. B. Haskell, Richard Anders, Col. A. M. Ferris, A. C. Farley, Geo. D. Harvey, Geo. W. Morse, Hon. Alden Speare, Lewis R. Speare, C. E. Roberts, C. E. Adams and C. W. Leonard. The speeches were mostly against expansion, as the speakers who were expected to favor it were unable to be present, from sickness and other causes.

A PARTY CAUCUS for the nomination of a United States Senator used to be strongly condemned in Massachusetts, and the utmost that was permitted in that line was what was called a "conference." It was not thought proper to bind men by a caucus, and they used to talk about the individual member and his right to vote according to the dictates of his conscience, regardless of the will of the majority of the party. But all that seems to have gone by, and the caucus is almost as firmly established here as it is in New York and Pennsylvania, which states are an object lesson to the result of setting up a party machine to which every individual must bow down.

A CORRESPONDENT who is troubled about his coal bills, has a letter on another page, advocating city scales and a public weigher. Hopefully the coal dealers would favor this as heartily as the buyers of coal, as no man likes to rest under the imputation of taking an unfair advantage of his customers, and it would save them from the troublesome customer, who is always complaining that last lot of coal does not begin to make as big a pile as the one before.

THIS is the week in the year when the head of the family is generally supposed to be rather difficult to get along with, but he will feel better as soon as he pays all those bills, and so the rest of the family take special pains to keep all minor troubles out of the way. Judging by the experience of the GRAPHIC the majority of Newton people favor settling up their little bills as speedily as possible, and starting off the year with a clear score.

Most of the cities of the state inaugurated their new city governments on Monday, but Newton will not make the change until next Monday. There is a good deal of interest in Mayor Wilson's inaugural address, to see what policy he proposes to follow and what his ideas are as to the needs of Newton. He will certainly have the support of the citizens generally if he follows a policy of strict economy.

THE New Year came in with a record breaker in the way of cold weather. The mercury in Newton ranged from 4 to 14 below, the latter at Upper Falls, and in other parts of the state it registered down to 28 below, making it the coldest day we have had for years.

Y. M. C. A.

F. O. Barber will conduct the Boys' meeting at 3 P. M. Sunday.

An unusually interesting meeting for men will be held at 4 P. M. Sunday. Address by Rev. Francis B. Hornbrook.

A young people's chorus with new organization has been formed. Rehearsals next Thursday evening. Mr. Henry T. Wade, leader.

The Old Fashioned Husking Bee will be given next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Several new features including the introduction of Eben Lawson, the town constable, have been added. Tickets have already sold freely. All seats reserved.

About one hundred friends of the Association were present at the New Year's Reception last Monday evening.

The 2nd Members' Meet in the Gymnasium will be held Saturday, January 14. Events as follows:—Indian club drill, vaulting horse, low horizontal bar, running high jump, running high kick and potato race.

Gothamite: "Is Chicago advancing rapidly now?" Lake-side: "You bet! Why? It's even left its brilliant future behind it."—Brooklyn Lite.

HUNNEWELL CLUB NOTES.

On Saturday evening Mr. H. M. Greenough, member of the club, entertained the members with recitations and readings. There was a large attendance of members, and it was enjoyed by all.

On Monday night the bowling teams 1 and 6 met, No. 6 winning two games. No. 2 team defeated No. 8 team two games.

In the billiard handicap Mr. L. E. Coffin was beaten by Mr. A. J. Wellington, and Mr. G. J. Pevar was defeated by Mr. G. Haskell. The final game between Mr. Wellington and Mr. Haskell will be played next week.

The Hunnewell club has made arrangements to have a painting by some prominent artist on exhibition at the club house every week, and the exhibition has opened with "The Fisherman" by Mr. J. E. Eakin, entitled "The Coaster's Retreat." It is one of this artist's most famous works, and represents a coasting vessel laid up for the winter in a snug harbor, the scenery showing the time to be late November, with trees bare of foliage and brown fields in the distance. The cloud effects are worth careful study, and the picture has been admired and studied by a large number during the week.

The Boston Sextette club gave a fine concert last evening, and the assembly hall was well filled with members and their family guests. The program was exceptionally good one and success was met with. Mr. Wulf Fries was given a very cordial reception, and his playing seems as wonderful as ever. He responded to a very enthusiastic encore. Mr. Walter E. Loud's violin solo was also encored, and Mr. Staats' "Fantasie for clarinet was one of the most popular selections of the evening. The Intermission committee furnished some high-grade refreshments, and the assembly hall will not be large enough for the audience. After the concert most of those present remained to inspect Mr. Eakin's fine painting and for a social time.

HOME FOR AGED PEOPLE.

MR. PICKARD WILL BE ONE OF FIFTY TO PUT IT ON A PERMANENT FOOTING.

The Newton Home for aged people has been organized as a corporation, in our city, for the care of aged people. Mr. Joseph L. Stone, late of Newton, by his will, left a fund in trust for the benefit of such an undertaking, and as a result, there will be available for our use, within a few months, the building and land of the Petree estate, furnished and ready for occupancy, and in addition some \$2,000 income from the trust established by Mr. Stone.

In order that sufficient funds may be had to pay the expenses of running this home, and caring for the people, it will require a considerably larger income than the above. I have felt a great interest in the matter, deeming it one of the most worthy charities in our city. There certainly should be a place where aged people who sometime had been in better circumstances, can be cared for during the last years of their life, without being sent to the poor house.

I desire that those citizens of Newton, such an amount of money as may be deemed necessary to secure to this institution an income sufficient to pay its bills.

I intend, personally, to see as many people as possible, relative to this matter, but would like to have those who are disposed to help in this direction, communicate with me.

It seems to me that we should raise at least \$30,000, the income of which is to be used for the purpose above mentioned. I propose to give \$1000 for this purpose. Are there not 49 others in Newton who will do the same?

EDWARD L. PICKARD.

Banquet to a Bachelor.

About 25 friends were present at a banquet tendered to Mr. Ernest A. Hicks by his associate members of the brokerage firm of Scarborough Bros. & Co. at the Hotel Touraine, Boston, Tuesday evening. These friends of Mr. Hicks came from various parts of the country to share the festivities marking his last evening as a bachelorette. Wednesday night he was married to Miss Mae E. Lincoln, daughter of Mr. A. A. Lincoln of Wollaston.

The dinner was held in one of the private apartments of the hotel, and was one of the most costly ever served in Boston. The menu was exceptionally beautiful, the covers being of heavy leather, on which were original and artistic hand-painted designs.

The toastmaster was Mr. H. G. Scarborough, and the toasts were responded to by Irving C. Hicks, Portland, Or.; William H. Barron, Jr., Danielson, Ct.; Ralph F. Alvord, Newton Centre; Elmer E. Hubbard, Providence, R. I., and W. C. Scarpelli, Boston.

Mr. Hicks is a son of the late Dr. Darius Hicks of Providence, R. I., and graduated from Brown University in the class of '91. Miss Lincoln is a graduate of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, and is an artist of considerable ability. On Jan. 14 they will sail for Europe, where three months will be spent in France, Italy and Spain.

CHARLES WARD POST.

PUBLIC INSTALLATION OF ITS OFFICES AT TEMPLE HALL, NEWTONVILLE, LAST EVENING.

The public installation of the offices of Charles Ward Post 62, G. A. R., in Temple Hall, last evening, was witnessed by over half a thousand, and proved one of the most successful affairs of the kind in the history of the Post.

The company of guests included many prominent Newton ladies and gentlemen, with a number of visitors from out of town. On the platform were decorations of red, white and blue, while stands of

The exercises, which were in charge of Past Commander Wetherbee of Massachusetts, and W. W. Montgomery, officer of the day, consisted of an address by Col. J. Payson Bradley of the Governor's staff, singing by Mrs. Morris Beardsey, Miss Adelaide Hyde and Mr. Ferguson, and reading by Mr. James Smith, and speaking by Past Commander W. A. Wadsworth, Rev. F. McDaniel and W. W. Montgomery.

These officers were installed: John F. Flood, commander; Geo. Hill, senior vice-commander; Col. S. Ober, junior vice-commander; Chas. W. Randall, surgeon; Rev. B. F. McDaniel, chaplain; E. E. Stiles, quartermaster; C. W. Coleman, officer of the guard; S. A. Langley, adjutant; G. W. W. Montgomery, adjutant; G. Ober, sergeant-major; Joseph Owens, quartermaster-general.

Newton Hospital.

The Treasurer of the Newton Hospital gratefully acknowledges the receipt of the following amounts from Churches in Newton contributed by them on account of Hospital Sunday.

Predominately acknowledged from 16 Churches \$7,192.33
Congregational Church, Centre, additional 2.00
Methodist Church, Newtonville, additional 25.00
Baptist Church, Centre, additional 28.93
\$7,151.26GEO. S. BULLENS, Treas.
Newton, Jan. 5, 1899.

CARRIER STOLE LETTERS.

CHARLES F. BARROWS OF THE CENTRAL POST OFFICE CHARGED WITH TAKING LETTERS INTRUSTED TO HIM FOR DELIVERY—WAS TRAPPED BY DECOYS, AND HAD THEM AND MANY OTHERS WHEN ARRESTED.

Charles F. Barrows, a letter-carrier attached to the central postoffice, and who covers the Oak Hill district, was arrested Wednesday evening, on his return from his route by Inspectors Snow and Swift, charged with embezzlement of letters.

Barrows, who is 24 years of age and unmarried, is a son of Frank A. Barrows, one of the heads of the sewer department of Newton. Until a short time ago the young man made his home at the house of his father, but recently has been living in Newton Centre.

He has been employed as letter carrier at the Newton Centre office since the beginning of the carrier system in this city. Complaints have been received at the post-office that letters put into the boxes on his route did not reach their destination.

These complaints were followed by others to the effect that letters mailed in other places directed to persons in Newton, who live in the district that he served, were not delivered. The inspectors Snow and Swift were put on the case about a week ago, when the frequency of the complaints made it certain that the loss of the letters was due to some other cause than accident. They made an investigation, and soon came to the conclusion that Barrows was the responsible man. They found that he was spending more money in leisure than his salary would allow. A closed box was found in his home, and they became satisfied that he was taking letters mailed at the street boxes and choosing from among those given for delivery the letters that seemed to have money in them.

Yesterday afternoon they prepared several decoy letters and placed them in boxes on his route just before he started out for his delivery. A collection at 5 o'clock. He was followed over his route to see if he did not destroy any letters before returning to the office.

When he reached there he was taken aside by the inspectors and searched. They found the decoy letters on him and nearly 20 others that had been taken from the boxes and from his delivery during the day. He was immediately placed under arrest and turned over to the police.

Barrows was well known in Newton. He was for many years a member of Co. C. 5th regt., and at the time the company was mustered into the regular service, Barrows was a sergeant. He decided to retain his position as letter carrier, and therefore did not re-enlist.

Before Commencement Fiske, in the Federal building yesterday morning, Barrows was held on \$1,000 bonds for his examination next Monday.

CITY GOVERNMENT.

SMALL AMOUNT OF ROUTINE BUSINESS DISPOSED OF PRIOR TO ADJOURNMENT—MAYOR COBB ADDRESSES THE BOARD.

On Thursday evening, the board of aldermen held a special session to finish up odds and ends of unfinished business, previous to adjourning for the year.

President White occupied the chair, and 12 members were present. A communication was received from H. A. Curtis, notifying the board that he refused to accept the award made by the board for the seizure of land on Washington street, Newton Lower Falls.

A report from the city engineer was received, presenting a schedule of sewer assessments, and an order was adopted as settling sewer charges as recommended.

Alderman Bly for the highway committee presented a report favoring the widening of Centre street, opposite the Whitman and Summer estates 2' 1/2 feet. The report was followed by the adoption of an order providing for the seizure of the land.

On motion of Alderman Bly all unearned business was referred to the next city government. A petition for one acre lighted land on Old State street, was presented by Alderman White. The report was referred to the committee on street lights.

The sum of \$120 was appropriated for interest on the uninvested portion of the Kenrick fund. Resolutions were unanimously adopted expressing the thanks of the board to Pres. White, Vice Pres. Knowlton, City Clerk, Kipling and City Solicitor Slocum.

At the close of the session Mayor Cobb was invited to address the board. After expressing his thanks to the board for the resolution of commendation passed at the last meeting, and expressing cordial wishes for its members for the future, his honor reviewed briefly the work accomplished during the past three years. The completion of the bridge, the abolition of grade crossing, the Washington street extension, the new high school building, the new fire alarm signal system, the new police station, the remodelled city hall, the reorganized police force, and the Bullough's pond park.

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—Miss Bean of Lowell avenue returned home Wednesday.

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—Miss Idy Gould has returned home after several weeks' absence.

—Mr. John V. Sullivan has been ill for several days with the grip.

—Miss Hackett of Walnut street left yesterday for Springfield, Mass.

—Mr. Harold Berry is able to be about again after his recent illness.

—Mrs. Hodgson and daughter have returned to Boston for the winter.

—Dr. Stoddard is confined to his home on Newtonville avenue with the grip.

—The regular meeting of the Knights of Columbus was held Tuesday evening.

—Mr. James Burns of Highland avenue is seriously ill with an attack of the grip.

—Mrs. J. P. Eustis of Omar terrace has been afflicted with the grip the past week.

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—Mr. Walter Carter enjoyed the Christmas holidays at his home on Highland avenue.

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—Mr. E. E. Towne, who has been spending several weeks in Springfield, returned Saturday.

—Mr. John T. Ferguson, formerly of Washington street, has removed to Lincoln avenue.

—Miss Lizzie Payson, who was the guest of relatives in Buffalo, N. Y., has returned to Wellesley.

—Private Arthur Bossom of Co. C, 5th Regt., reported Saturday on a three months' furlough.

—Mr. John T. Ferguson, general electrician, has taken part of the store at \$21 Washington street.

—Mrs. F. W. Pray of Kirkstall road returned Thursday after an extended sojourn in Providence, R. I.

—Miss Looke, who has been visiting her parents at Newtonville avenue, returned to Northampton Tuesday.

—The monthly meeting of the Universalist church society was held in the church parlor, Friday evening.

—Miss May Clark of Otis street has resumed her duties as teacher at Groton, after the Christmas holidays.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dickinson of Grove Hill have gone to Hartford, Conn., to attend the governor's ball.

—Mrs. Edward Sands of Newtonville avenue left Thursday for Florida, where she will spend the winter.

—Mr. James McDonald, late foreman of the New Newton Cab company, has accepted a position in Brighton.

—Miss Susie Payne of Otis street leaves this week for Concord, N. H., where she will remain several weeks.

—Miss Winnifred Pulsifer leaves next week for Manchester, N. H., where she will remain several weeks.

—Rev. George E. Huntley of South Framingham will preach at the Universalist church next Sunday morning.

—Mr. Thomas Brady, formerly employed by Mr. Charles T. Pulsifer of Walnut street, has purchased the Newtonville Cab Co.

—Mr. Emmett W. Robinson, formerly in the employ of C. Strout & Sons, is assisting Mr. Geo. M. Bridges in taking the census.

—Mr. Root, who has recently removed to this city from Vermont, has been secured for the position of sexton of the Methodist church.

—"Taking Advantage of Present Opportunities" was the subject at the Y. P. C. U. meeting at the Universalist church, Sunday evening.

—Mr. John C. Adams, formerly employed as baker by Mr. Beverly, has purchased the latter's business and will continue it at the old stand.

—Mr. Fred Wagg of this place has left the railway mail service in which he was engaged, and has returned to his former home in Maine.

—As a result of a serious attack of the grip, Mr. A. H. Sisson has partly lost the use of his right hand. It is hoped that he may regain the use of it.

—The Newtonville Woman's Guild met Tuesday afternoon in the parlors of the New church. Papers were presented by members of the Guild.

—Dr. Martin has closed his office in Asociates block and opened one in the Gordon house, Walnut street, which was recently rented by Mrs. Allen.

—The covering of the water pipes on the Walnut street bridge has at last been accomplished. It is an improvement which greatly adds to the appearance of the square.

—We are asked to correct the engagement of Mr. Roger Higgins of this place, and Miss Nana Hughes of Roxbury, announced last week, which has been authoritatively denied.

—A socialie will be held next Thursday evening in the parlors of the Universalist church, Washington park. An entertainment consisting of tableaux and musical features will be given.

—The dance at Ballou's pond seemed rather an incentive than a warning to the numerous skaters Tuesday afternoon. The dance was reported as only about an inch thick in various sections of the pond.

—Regular meeting of the Baptist Division was held at the residence of Mrs. J. B. Kilburn, Judd street, Saturday afternoon.

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—Miss Pauline Estes of Bridgewater, who was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Paine, has returned to her home.

—At the Methodist Episcopal church Sunday evening, the Rev. the pastor, Rev. Franklin Hamilton, will give an address adapted especially to the needs of these opening days of the new year. There will be a special musical program. Young people especially are invited. Morning worship at 10:45. All strangers are most cordially invited.

WEST NEWTON.

—Mr. Van Cleave is spending a week in New York city.

—Mr. Clarence Esterbrook of Otis street is in Omaha, Neb.

—Mr. Fred H. Lyons is recovering from a severe attack of the grip.

—Mr. S. H. Cross of Chestnut street is out of town for a few days.

—Mrs. I. F. Kingsbury of Perkins street left for New York.

—Miss Agnes Merchant of Sewall street has returned from Gloucester.

—Miss Elsie Bennett of Hillside avenue is visiting friends in Brookline.

—Mr. George H. Ingraham of Chestnut street is quite ill with the grip.

—Mrs. E. H. Ferry of Berkeley street returned from New York Tuesday.

—Communion service was held at the Congregational church Sunday afternoon.

—Mr. George B. Ballard of Temple street left this week for Jamaica on a business trip.

—Mrs. W. J. Furbush of Watertown street has returned home after a short absence.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Tolman and daughter were confined to the house with a severe attack of grip.

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—Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Buck of Temple street have returned after a short trip to Philadelphia.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Whittlesey left Tuesday for Washington, where they will spend the winter.

—Mr. Bernard Barrows of Washington was the guest of his brother, Mr. W. Barrows of Margin street.

—Sergt. McCabe and Private Derby of the Fifth regiment, Company C, are at home on a 30-days' furlough.

—The annual parish meeting of the Congregational society will be held in the church parlors Tuesday evening.

—Miss E. H. Macomber of Watertown street is expected home this week after a two-weeks' stay in Portland, Me.

—At the next regular meeting of Odd Ladies, held Jan. 10th, the installation of officers will take place by governor suite.

—The week of prayer was observed, at the Congregational church with devotional services Wednesday and Friday evenings.

—Mr. Cleve and family, formerly of Webster street, will occupy the residence of Mr. C. M. Whittlesey, Cherry street, during the winter season.

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—The Young Men's league will hold a public meeting in the parlors of the Baptist church, Wianno road, Jan. 12, at 8 o'clock. An address will be delivered by Rev. Chas. S. Morris, the eloquent pastor of the Myrtle church. Mr. Morris is a grandson of the famous Frederick Douglass. His subject will be "The Nation and the Negro." A public cordial invitation.

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—Mrs. Colligan of Webster park is reported as seriously ill with pneumonia.

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—Mr. Paul Waters of Webster park returned to his studies at Amherst this week after an enjoyable vacation.

—The Newton Ladies' Home Circle will hold a meeting in the Unitarian church parlors Wednesday afternoon.

—Mr. Harold Burdon, who enjoyed the holiday season at his home on Webster St., returned this week to Amherst.

—Mr. George Frost is making extensive improvements in the residence recently purchased from Mrs. Kempton.

—City Clerk Col. I. F. Kingsbury left yesterday for New York to attend the wedding of his daughter in that city, tomorrow noon.

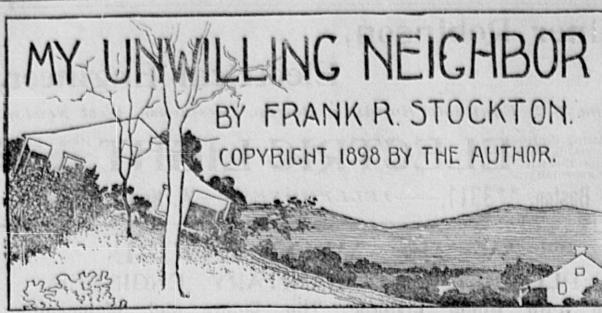
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—The ladies of the W. C. T. U. of West Newton enjoyed being received by the matron of our police station, Mrs. Mason, in her pleasant home on Thursday, Jan. 13. The mayor of the city, Mr. Henry E. Cobb, kindly addressed the ladies, acknowledging the beneficial influence exerted by the society, not only in Newton but all over the country, and welcomed the society most cordially to the police station, hoping it might not be the last time it should hold a meeting in that place. The chief of police also spoke to the women referring to the great advantages of a woman's organization in forwarding the welfare of the community.

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I built myself a good house of moderate size upon a little plateau on the higher part of my estate. Sitting in my front porch, smoking my pipe after the labors of the day, I could look down over my vineyard into a beautiful valley, with here and there a little curling smoke arising from some of the few dwellings which were scattered about among the groves and spreading fields, and above this beauty I could imagine all my hillside clothed in green and purple.

My family consisted of myself alone. It is true that I expected some day there would be others in my house besides myself, but I was not ready for that yet.

During the summer I found it very pleasant to live by myself. It was a novelty, and I could arrange and manage everything in my own fashion, which was a pleasure I had not enjoyed when I lived in my father's house, but when winter came I found it very lonely.

Even my servants lived in a cabin at some little distance, and there were many dark and stormy evenings when the company, even of a bore, would have been welcome to me. Sometimes I walked over to the town and visited my friends there, but this was not feasible on stormy nights, and the winter seemed to me a very long one.

But spring came, outdoor operations began, and for a few weeks I felt again that I was all sufficient for my own pleasure and comfort. Then came a change. One of those seasons of bad and stormy weather which so frequently follow an early spring settled down upon my spirits and my hillside. It rained, it was cold, fierce winds blew, and I became more anxious for somebody to talk to than I had been at any time during the winter.

One night when a very bad storm was raging I went to bed early, and as I lay awake I revolved in my mind the scheme of which I had frequently thought before. I would build a neat little house on my grounds, not very far away from my house, but not too near, and I would ask Jack Brandiger to come there and live. Jack was a friend of mine, who was reading law in the town, and it seemed to me that it would be much more pleasant and even more profitable to read law on a pretty hillside overlooking a charming valley, with woods and mountains behind and above him, where he could ramble to his heart's content.

I had thought of asking Jack to come and live with me, but this idea I soon dismissed. I am a very particular person, and Jack is not. He leaves his pipes about in all sorts of places, sometimes when they are still lighted. When he came to see me, he was quite as likely to put his hat over the inkstand as to put it anywhere else. But if Jack lived at a little distance and we could go backward and forward to see each other whenever we pleased, that would be quite another thing. He could do as pleased in his own house, and I could do as I pleased in mine, and we might have many pleasant evenings together. This was a cheering idea, and I was planning how we might arrange with the negro woman who managed my household affairs to attend also to those of Jack when I fell asleep.

I did not sleep long before I was awakened by the increased violence of the storm. My house shook with the fury of the wind. The rain seemed to be pouring on its roof and northern side as if there were a waterfall above us, and every now and then I could hear a shower of hailstones rattling against the shutters. My bedroom was one of the rooms on the lower floor, and even there I could hear the pounding of the deluge and the hailstones upon the roof.

All this was very doleful and had a tendency to depress the spirits of a waking man, alone in a good sized house, but I shook off this depression. It was not agreeable to be up here by myself in such a terrible storm, but there was nothing to be afraid of, as my house was new and very strongly built, being constructed of logs, weatherboarded outside and sealed within. It would require a hurricane to blow off the roof, and I believed my shutters to be halfproof, so there was no reason to stay awake I turned over and went to sleep.

I do not know how long it was before I was awakened again, this time not by the noise of the storm, but by a curious movement of my bedstead. I had once felt the slight shock of an earthquake, and it seemed to me that this must be something of the kind. Certainly my bed moved under me. I sat up; the room was pitchy dark. In a moment I felt another movement, but this time it did not seem to resemble an earthquake shock. Such motion, I think, is generally in horizontal directions, while what I felt was more like the slower movement of a ship upon the water. The storm was at its height, the wind raged and roared, and the rain seemed to be pouring down as heavily as ever.

the rough contact with the ground and would probably soon be torn away. This did not disturb me, for the house must still be there.

It was not long before I perceived that the slanting of my bed was becoming less and less, and also I was quite sure that the house was moving more slowly. Then the crackings and snapings before my front wall ceased altogether. The bed resumed its ordinary horizontal position, and, although I did not know at what exact moment the house ceased sliding and came to a standstill, I was sure that it had done so. It was resting at last upon a level surface. The room was still perfectly dark and the storm continued. There was no use for me to get up until daylight came—I could not see what had happened—so I lay back upon the pillow and tried to imagine upon what level portion of my farm I had stranded. While doing this I fell asleep.

When I woke, a little light was stealing into my room through the blinds of my shutters. I quickly slipped out of bed, opened a window and looked out. Day was just breaking, the rain and wind had ceased, and I could discern objects, but it seemed as if I needed some light in my brain to enable me to comprehend what I saw. My eyes fell upon nothing familiar.

I did not stop to investigate, however, from my window. I found my clothes huddled together with the furniture at the front end of the room, and as soon as I was dressed I went into the hall and then to my front door. I quickly jerked this open and was about to step outside when suddenly I stopped. I was positive that my front porch had been destroyed, but there I saw a porch, a little lower than mine and a great deal wider, and on the other side of it, not more than eight feet from me, was a window—the window of a house, and on the other side of the window was a face—the face of a young girl. As I stood staring in blank amazement at the house which presented itself at my front door the face at the window disappeared and I was left to contemplate the scene by myself. I ran to my back door and threw it open. There I saw stretching up the fields and far up the hillside the wide path which my house had made as it came down from its elevated position to the valley beneath, where it had ended its onward career by stopping up against another house. As I looked off the back porch I saw that the ground still continued to slope, so that if my house had not found in its path another building it would probably have proceeded somewhat farther on its course. It was lighter, and I saw bushes and fences and little outbuildings—in a back yard.

Almost breathless with amazement and consternation, I ran again to the front door. When I reached it, I found a young woman standing on the porch of the house before me. I was about to say something—I know not what—when she put her finger on her lips and stepped forward.

"Please don't speak loudly," she said. "I am afraid it will frighten mother. She is asleep yet. I suppose you and your house have been sliding down hill?"

"That is what has happened," said I, "but I cannot understand it. It seems to me the most amazing thing that ever took place on the face of the earth."

"It is very queer," said she, "but hurricanes do blow away houses and that must have been a hurricane we had last night, for the wind was strong enough to loosen any house. I have often wondered if that house would ever slide down hill."

"My house?"

"Yes," she said. "Soon after it was built I began to think what a nice clean sweep it could make from the place where it seemed to be stuck to the side of the mountain right down here into the valley."

I could not talk with a girl like this. At least I could not meet her on her own conversational grounds. I was so agitated myself that it seemed unnatural that any one to whom I should speak should not also be agitated.

"Who are you?" I asked rather brusquely. "At least, to whom does this house belong?"

"This is my mother's house," said she. "My mother is Mrs. Carson. We happen just now to be living here by ourselves, so I cannot call on any man to help you do anything. My brother has always lived with us, but last week he went away."

"You don't seem to be a bit astonished at what has happened," said I. She was rather a pretty girl, of a cheerful disposition, I should say, for sometimes she had smiled as she spoke.

"Oh, I am astonished," she answered, "or at least I was, but I have had time enough to get over some of it. It was at least an hour ago when I was awakened by hearing something crack in the yard. I went to a window and looked out and could just barely see that something like a big building had grown up during the night. Then I watched it and watched it until I made out it was a whole house, and after that it was not long before I guessed what had happened. It seemed a simpler thing to me, you know, than it did to you, because I had often thought about it, and probably you never had."

"You are right there," said I earnestly. "It would have been impossible for me to imagine such a thing."

"At first I thought there was nobody in the house," said she, "but when I heard some one moving about I came down to see who had arrived not to make a noise. I see," she added, with another of her smiles, "that you think I am a very strange person not to be more flurried by what has happened, but really I cannot think of anything else just now except what mother will say and do when she comes down and finds you and your house here at the back door. I am very sure she will not like it."

"Like it?" I exclaimed. "Who on earth could like it?"

"Please speak more gently," she

said. "Mother is always a little irritable when her night's rest has been broken, and I would not like to have her wakened up suddenly now. But really, Mr. Warren, I haven't the least idea in the world how she will take this thing. I must go in and be with her when she wakes so that I can explain just what has happened."

"One moment," I said. "You know my name?"

"Of course I know your name. Could that house be up there on the hillside for more than a year without my knowing who lived in it?" With this she went indoors.

I could not help smiling when I thought of the young lady regretting that there was no man in the house who might help me do something. What could anybody do in a case like this? I turned and went into the house. I entered the various rooms on the lower floor and saw no signs of any particular damage except that everything movable in each room was jumbled together against the front wall, but when I looked out of the back door I found that the porch there was a good deal wrecked, which I had not noticed before.

I went up stairs and found everything pretty much as it was below. Nothing seemed to have been injured except the chimney and the porches. I thanked my stars that I had used hard wood instead of mortar for the ceilings of my rooms.

I was about to go into my bedroom when I heard a woman scream, and of

"But hurricanes do blow away houses," course I hurried to the front. There on the back porch of her house stood Mrs. Carson. She was a woman of middle age, and as I glanced at her I saw where her daughter got her good looks, but the placidity and cheerfulness of the younger face were entirely wanting in the mother. Her eyes sparkled, her cheeks were red, her mouth was partly open, and it seemed to me that I could almost see that her breath was hot.

"Is this your house?" she cried the moment her eyes fell upon me. "And what is it doing here?"

I did not immediately answer. I looked at the angry woman, and behind her I saw, through the open door, the daughter crossing the hallway. It was plain that she had decided to let me have it out with her mother without interference. As briefly and as clearly as I could I explained what had happened.

"What is all that to me?" she screamed. "It doesn't matter to me how your house got there. There have been storms ever since the beginning of the world, and I never heard of any of them taking a house into a person's back yard. You ought not to have built your house where any such thing could happen. But all this is to me. I don't understand now how your house did get there, and I don't want to understand it. All I want is for you to take it away."

"I will do that, madam, just as soon as I can. You may be very sure I will do that, but—"

"Can you do it now?" she asked. "Can you do it today? I don't want a minute lost. I have not been outside to see what damage has been done, but the first thing to do is to take your house away."

"I am going to the town now, madam, to summon assistance."

Mrs. Carson made no answer, but she turned and walked to the end of her porch. There she suddenly gave a scream, which quickly brought her daughter from the house. "Kitty, Kitty," cried her mother, "do you know what he has done? He has gone right over my round flower garden. His house is sitting on it this minute."

"But he could not help it, mother," said Kitty.

"Help it!" exclaimed Mrs. Carson. "I don't want him to help it. What I want!" Suddenly she stopped. Her eyes flashed brighter and her mouth opened wider. She seemed to have lost the power of speech, but quickly it came back to her. "Little Samuel!" she screamed. "Kitty, do you know I believe he has scratched up little Samuel!"

I looked at her stupefied without knowing what she was talking about.

"Little Samuel!" again screamed Mrs. Carson, and she ran about, wildly endeavoring to get off her porch, but my house had demolished her steps, and it blocked up the opening.

"The side door, mother," said Miss Kitty, and then as the older woman disappeared into the house with a stifled exclamation her daughter said to me: "It is my little brother she is thinking about. He died some years ago and was buried in a small graveyard back of our garden. She thinks your house has gone over it and has scratched him up."

Miss Carson now followed her mother, and I jumped over the railings of the porch and ran after them.

(CONTINUED NEXT WEEK.)

A LIVING WITNESS.

Mrs. Hoffman Describes How She Wrote to Mrs. Pinkham for Advice, and Is Now Well.

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WHEREAS, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of Daniel Mahoney, late of Newton in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on her bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, Middlesex, on the tenth day of January A. D. 1899, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

The petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Newton Graphic newspaper published at Newton, and in a local publication to be done at least before the Court.

Witness, CHARLES J. MCINTIRE, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this nineteenth day of December in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

S. H. FOLSOM,
Register.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscribers have been duly appointed executors of the will of Martha J. L. Fenn, late of Newton, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, and have taken upon themselves that trust by giving bonds, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are hereby required to exhibit the same, and all persons interested in said estate are called upon to make payment to

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NEWTON CENTRE.

The Singers midwinter concert takes place Jan. 12.

Miss Alice Clement of Warren street is visiting in Cleveland, O.

Mr. Walter Bullen returned on Tuesday to Brown university.

Mr. Charles Ashford has returned from a visit in New Hampshire.

Rev. Mr. Place occupied the pulpit of the Unitarian church last Sunday.

Mr. Robert Dresser has taken a position with the Newton Centre Trust company.

Mr. H. A. Nutter returned this week from a hunting trip in the woods near Alfred, Me.

Miss Margaret Armstrong of Maple Park is recovering from a severe attack of typhoid fever.

Mr. George F. Richardson was confined to his house the first part of the week by an attack of grip.

Mr. William Henderson of Gibbs street has returned to Enfield, N. H., after a visit with friends here.

Charles E. L. Clark returns to Williams college this week after a vacation at his parents' home on Cypress street.

Mrs. Long, formerly in charge of the Women's exchange, has taken a position as bookkeeper for Mr. Mellen Bray.

A. L. Whittmore assumed ownership of the store in Bray block formerly conducted by Mrs. Long, the caterer.

A public demonstration of "Nuteco," a substitute for lard and butter, is being held at Richardson's market this week.

The interior of the Church of the Sacred Heart is to be lighted by electricity. The new plant is being installed this week.

Unitarian Society—Services Sunday at 10:30 a. m. Rev. Benj. A. Goodridge of Dorchester will preach. Sunday school at 12.

Newton Centre lodge, A. O. U. W., received a visit from the grand recorder at its meeting in the lodge hall Wednesday evening.

Workmen are engaged this week putting in the windows in the Methodist church. Next week they will begin on the interior finish.

The Degree Whist club met with Mrs. W. P. Bemis of Lyman street on Tuesday evening. Mr. Fred Masters won the first gentleman's prize.

Mr. George H. Ellis has this week been cutting a large amount of ice at Crystal lake. The crop this year is said to be 11-2 inches thick.

Rev. B. F. McDaniel is the recipient of a handsome watch, the gift of the Hale and the Lookout club connected with the Unitarian church.

A nephew of Mrs. R. B. Everett of Parker street is slowly improving in health, having recently undergone a successful operation for appendicitis.

Ladies are reminded of Miss Forbes' demonstration of the Faeton fundamental training course in music, to be given tomorrow at Mrs. Lecompte's.

A dancing party was given New Year's Eve in Bray small hall. About 40 couples of young society folk were present, and dancing was enjoyed from 8 till 11.

Mrs. Morgan, who came from Damariscotta, Me., to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Shute, died on Jan. 3, only a week after the death of her daughter.

Darrell, the provision dealer, has bought T. K. Frost's stock of groceries and connected the two stores. He can now supply almost everything in the line of eatables.

The topic of the sermon by Rev. G. A. Spencer at the Methodist church on Sunday evening will be, "A conversation of Jesus with an unscrupulous lawyer who tried to confuse him."

There was an enjoyable house party at the residence of R. B. Graham on Langley road last Friday evening. A feature of the evening's entertainment was the singing of Mr. Fred J. Muldoon.

On Saturday evening, Dec. 31st, the Hale Union and the Lookout Club of the Unitarian society presented Rev. B. F. McDaniel with a beautiful gold watch suitably inscribed, as a token of gratitude and affection.

The winter arrangement of the Boston & Albany timetable has been effected this week. A new train is the 6:46 p. m. for Boston, and the train which formerly left for Boston at 7:08 p. m. is now scheduled to leave at 7:17 p. m.

Rev. Frederick Alvord officiated at the marriage of Mr. Hicks and Miss Lincoln at Wollaston Wednesday evening. Mr. Ralph F. Alvord was one of the ushers. Mr. and Mrs. Hicks will visit southern Europe on their wedding tour, and on their return will reside in Brookline.

Advertised letters at postoffice here: Mrs. George Bessecker, Cora Besson, 1225 Bloomfield street, J. C. Brickett, Miss J. C. Brown, James D. Childs, Mrs. Ephraim Curry, J. Faville Gagoran, Mrs. Wm. P. Jones, Thomas McMullen, Hattie E. Still, Mrs. H. W. Spaulding, Elmwood street, J. H. Staples.

In observance of the week of prayer these services have been held in this place: Tuesday evening in the Baptist church, Rev. E. M. Noyes leader; Wednesday evening in the first Congregational church, Rev. Mr. Mulliner leader; Thursday evening in the Baptist church, Rev. Mr. Spencer leader. At the several churches this evening the regular prayer meetings will be held.

A large company of friends of Mr. and Mrs. Warren were gathered at their residence on Franklin street Tuesday evening to extend their congratulations, the occasion being their fifth wedding anniversary. Mrs. Ellis was presented with a Morris chair. The presentation speech was made by Mr. Arthur Muldoon. An exhibition of the gramophone furnished much amusement for the guests, and later refreshments were served.

Through the enterprise and public spirit of Miss Mary M. Morse, a former teacher in the Rice school, and the generosity of many parents and friends, the following pictures have been placed upon the walls of the schoolroom in the Rice building: "W. H. Dyke"; "Chart, L. F. W. H. Dyke"; "atchers by the Sea"; "A. T. A. T. Anthony"; "Murillo"; "Christ and the Doctors"; "Hoffmann"; "Imperial Courier"; "Schreyer"; "Returning Home"; "A. Mauve"; "Woodcutters"; "A. Mauve". The pictures vary in size from 28x30 to 32x45, and are appropriately and artistically framed.

The selection was made with the helpful advice of A. T. A. T. Anthony, a member of the school of Newton. A generous number of valuable smaller photogravures have also been contributed, and will soon have their place in the different rooms. The school is always open to parents and friends who may wish to see the pictures, and perhaps a suggestion of the helpful and uplifting influence of schoolroom de-

oration may lead to a similar effort in other parts of the city.

Mr. B. Wells Polly is able to be out again after his recent illness.

Miss S. E. Ellery will go to New York today, to visit friends for a week or two.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Wade have reopened the family residence on Dedham street, Oak Hill, which they intend to occupy.

A. D. Mills, formerly of Newton Highlands, has opened a barber shop in White's block.

H. S. Williams has closed his Newton Highlands store and removed his stock to this place.

NEWTON HIGHLANDS.

The C. L. S. C. will meet with Mrs. Boyd, next Monday.

The next meeting of the Monday Club will be with Mrs. Estabrooks, Griffin avenue.

Mrs. E. C. Wheeler, Montfort road, has been quite ill for the past two weeks with a gripe.

The West End Literary Club will meet on Monday next with Mrs. Treadwell, Floral avenue.

Mrs. E. W. Warren of Lincoln street has gone to Indianapolis on a business trip, and will be absent two weeks.

Officer Fletcher of Eliot, who has been ill with the grip for the past week or two, is now able to be out again.

There are letters in the postoffice for Miss Frances Chapin, Miss Morris, (Eliot) Miss Ellen Sullivan, Mrs. Alice Stuart, Mrs. B. R. Young.

On New Year's Day the engagement was announced of Miss Stella A. Converse, daughter of Mrs. Martha H. D. Converse, and Mr. Sanford E. Thompson of Hartford street.

Mr. Frederick G. Hobbs, the station agent at Charles River Village, and Miss Louise C. Smith of the same village, were married on Wednesday, by Rev. Wm. S. Jones, at his residence, 14 Hartford street.

Morning service at All Souls Unitarian church, Highland club hall, at 10:45. Rev. Henry A. Westall of Melrose Highlands, will preach in exchange with Rev. Wm. Safford Jones. Sunday school at noon. All are cordially invited.

At the Congregational church, the free seat system, which has been in vogue for several years, not producing sufficient revenue, the renting of sittings has been adopted, and the standing committee are at the church each evening, this week, to assign seats to applicants.

At the Methodist church next Sunday, Rev. Dr. Gallagher, associate principal of Lasell Seminary, Auburndale, will preach in the morning. In the evening at 7:30 o'clock after a short praise service, Rev. Dr. George F. Eaton, presiding elder, will preach.

At the regular meeting of Home Lodge, I. O. O. F., the following officers were elected: Noble grand, G. M. Hayden; vice grand, J. A. Parsons; recording sec'y, A. W. Watson; financial sec'y, D. C. Blankenship; James, James; trustee, Arthur Muldoon, D. W. White, and T. L. Goodwin. Installation will take place Jan. 12.

The week of prayer has been observed by the Methodist and Congregational churches, with a union service on Tuesday evening, at the Congregational chapel. Sermon by Rev. Mr. Gallagher of Auburndale, in place of Rev. T. W. Bishop, who was not able to be present, on account of illness, and on Wednesday evening, a union meeting at the Methodist church, and on Thursday evening a union meeting of the Christian Endeavor societies. There has been a large attendance.

NEWTON UPPER FALLS.

Mr. W. K. Dunham has recovered from an attack of the grip.

Miss Sadie Miller of Melrose is in town, the guest of friends.

Mr. W. P. Crowley has recovered from a week's illness with the grip.

The rubber works shut down Wednesday, through inability to obtain coal.

Contractor Daniel Hurley is still confined to his home on High street by illness.

Mr. W. K. Dunham, the provision dealer, is distributing a handsome calendar.

Mr. Ira Metcalf of Orange, N. J., has been the guest of Mrs. Bernard Billings, High street.

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Mr. Percy Bateman, who was on the Texas in the thickest of the fight, was at home for the holidays. He has gone to Point Royal, S. C., where he has taken a position on the training ship Lancaster.

Michael J. Murphy, 23 years old, whose home is at 23 Hale street, while handling a ladle of molten iron at Petree's machine shop about 5 o'clock, Wednesday afternoon, had his left side, arm and face burned. He was removed to the Newton Hospital in the police ambulance.

Mr. James Sullivan, for many years employed at the Petree machine works, and who has held the position of foreman for the past 15 years, resigned this position last Saturday. He is son of James Sullivan, Jr., who has been a sub-foreman, will fill his place. On Saturday evening the employees presented Mr. Sullivan with a handsome gold watch.

Mrs. Blank—"The paper tells of a postmaster who was appointed by John Quincy Adams, and has held the position ever since. Is he an unusually good man, do you think?" Mr. Blank, (an experienced citizen)—"Oh, not at all. It was an unusually poor office."—New York Weekly.

"What do you think of this? Here's an account of a man who has four wives." "That's nothing. It only proves that some men are harder to manage than others."—Life.

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They passed by us. Worsley certainly did not look at Flo's bonnet—that I am prepared to take my oath to—but undoubtedly Phillipa blushed. I had won. I put my book back in my pocket and followed Flo with a happy smile.

I found her in the act of kissing Philipa.

"And you looked perfectly charming, dear," said Flo.

"How do? 'Gratulate you,' I observed to Worsley, who was looking extremely uncomfortable. Then I shook hands with Phillipa, expressing a wish for her happiness.

"I am perfectly happy," said she; "perfectly."

"That's nonsense, you know," I began. "Nobody in this world can be perfectly."

"Oh, Mr. Vansittart, just wait till—" And Phillipa glanced expressively at Flo, who was telling Worsley that most men were so awkward over being married, but that he—well, you know the sort of thing girls are taught to say. Some people call it good manners. I call it humbug. Worsley had looked an ass; that's the plain truth of it.

They passed on. I caught hold of the beadle's arm.

"Do you have many weddings here?" I asked.

He said that they had a great many.

"Did this couple?" I inquired, "look happier than usual or—er—the reverse?"

"Never seen a pair more bloomin', sir," said he.

"Come along," said I sharply to Flo. "We may as well walk up to the house."

"I don't see," observed Flo in a cold

AT A WEDDING.

By ANTHONY HOPE.

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I admit that I attired myself with unusual care. It may have been weak of me, but I did not wish Phillipa March to thank heaven that she was walking down the aisle on Worsley's arm instead of mine.

And the first person I saw when I got inside the church was my cousin Flo, dressed with quite remarkable taste and elaboration.

I sat down beside her, depositing my new hat on the seat with great care.

"I know exactly what you're thinking," I whispered, with a sarcastic smile.

"Hush! It's church," said Flo, opening a prayer book.

"But he won't look at you," I pursued malignantly. "He will wear a proud, happy smile and will have no eyes (he never had any to speak of) except for his blushing bride."

I hardly expected Flo to reply to this remark, but after a moment's pause she observed, in a singularly incisive whisper:

"She won't blush."

I was annoyed. Women are so wanting in magnanimity.

"I bet you a sovereign she does," said I, taking out my betting book.

"And I don't believe he'll look at her all the time."

"I'll take you the double event," I said angrily. "A dozen of gloves against a new hat."

"The best gloves?" asked Flo, her gaze fixed on the marriage service.

"You shall choose 'em yourself," said I, and I booked the bet, remarking: "He will notice nobody but her. He will not observe Florence, that yours is a new bonnet."

"I've worn it before," said Flo, much vexed at my penetration.

"Before the looking glass," I retorted scornfully. "That's all."

At this moment Aunt Maud and the colonel entered the edifice. As they passed us Aunt Maud observed, in a benevolent whisper, "Ah, there are the dear children together, as usual!"

I suppose Flo heard. Looking at the ceiling, she asked:

"Is there no room anywhere else?"

I took my hat. I opened the door of the pew. In another second I should have been gone—perhaps forever—but it so chanced that, just as I stepped out, Phillipa March walked up the aisle on her father's arm. We narrowly escaped a collision. I got back safe, but fluttered, into the pew.

"How awkward you are!" said Flo, pleased on reflection.

The service passed off without interruption. Nothing occurred to stop the marriage. The procession, headed by the happy pair, was formed to walk down the aisle. At this point Flo nudged me violently.

"Look cheerful!" she commanded peremptorily.

"Look cheerful yourself!" I rejoined.

"You might be at a funeral."

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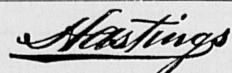
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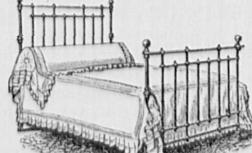
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THE NEW ADMINISTRATION.

The new city government was successfully inaugurated on Monday, and all citizens will unite in giving Mayor Wilson and the new board of aldermen their best wishes for a successful and harmonious administration of city affairs. The new mayor has given promise of making a very business-like official by his inaugural, which was brief and sensible. He did not make any recommendations, he said, as he preferred to wait until he had become familiar with the work of the departments, and discovered what the needs of each were. This made a favorable impression, as no man could have become very familiar with city affairs in the brief time that has elapsed since the election.

Some points of general interest were touched upon, such as the unexpectedly high cost of the Washington street widening, although this was due more to the extreme views held by owners of the value of their property than to the cost of the work itself. But this is always the case when a work of this character is undertaken, but the total cost of \$1,000,000, given by Mr. Wilson as the cost of the widening, includes not only Washington street itself, but a number of extra items, not contemplated in the original estimate of \$400,000, although they are included in the Washington street widening bonds, and so might mislead one not familiar with the matter. These extra items are the widening of Washington street from Nonantum square to Park street, the widening of Park and Tremont streets and Centre place, approaches to eight bridges over the railroad, and the city's part of the cost of the depression of the Boston and Albany tracks, of which the city now owes \$177,964 which brings the total up to \$1,16,544 included under the bonds for the Washington street widening. The Washington street widening itself cost \$739,718, some \$339,718 more than the estimate, which was due to the unexpectedly high value of land along the street when it was found that the city was to take it. But this is only the usual experience, as is shown in numberless instances in the city of Boston, and as Newton officials had had no experience in this business they did not anticipate it.

In regard to the Bullough's pond water there was another under-estimate, through the fault of someone, but nevertheless both of these improvements add so much to the attractiveness of the city that we think the most unwilling taxpayer is glad that the work has been done.

It looks as if some reduction in the engineer's department were contemplated, from Mayor Wilson's reference to the fact that no important work is contemplated during the year. It has been a very busy place for the past few years while all our great improvements have been going on.

A high compliment is paid to the water department, which is perhaps the best managed of the city departments, and the gratifying announcement is made that it will soon be on a paying basis.

The various items of the city's debts and resources are briefly enumerated, and the message closes with a strong recommendation for economy in all the departments. It is to be hoped that this advice will be heeded, and that every committee will succeed in keeping within their appropriations, and give the city a welcome rest from all expenditures that are not absolutely necessary.

SENATOR HOAR'S SPEECH.

The speech of Senator Hoar against imperialism, and the inauguration of a "Pinchbeck Napoleonic" policy by this government, is the greatest speech made in the senate in this generation. No matter what the views are of any citizen of Massachusetts they cannot help feeling proud of the ability, the eloquence, the profound knowledge of history, and the close logical reasoning displayed by our senior senator. There is not another senator capable of making such a speech, and its wit and sharp satire, and its many parallels drawn from history make it very interesting reading.

It contains the whole argument against imperialism, and the dangers of entering upon such a policy, and violating the principles of the Declaration of Independence as well as the Constitution of the United States. It is easy to believe that the speech made a profound sensation in the senate, and carried consternation into the ranks of the imperialists.

There will of course be some attempt to answer it, and the arguments to be used can be inferred from the tone of the daily papers opposed to Senator Hoar, which content themselves merely with sneers at our senator, and seem to think a full reply is given when they call attention to the fact that Senator Hoar voted for the annexation of Hawaii. The senator did vote for annexing those islands, though he an-

nounced at the time that he disbelieved in the wisdom of doing so, and only voted for it because they were such little ones. The party whip kept him in line then, but in regard to repeating the operation on a larger scale his convictions were too much for his partisanship, and when that is the case Senator Hoar can be depended upon to take a just and statesmanlike course.

Probably some formal attempts will be made to answer Senator Hoar's arguments, but it is doubtful if his speech has any effect on those who are really engineering the imperialistic movement. They do not pretend to have any arguments, these speculators and syndicates and adventurers who wish to exploit these far off islands, and all their efforts will be uniting in trying to jam the measure through before the country has time to soberly think over the question of such a radical change in the policy of our government. Such a measure as this ought to be submitted to a popular vote, and let the people decide whether they have "outgrown the Constitution" and all the teachings of Washington and Lincoln, and the other great men, who are now replaced by such leaders as Hanna and Foraker, and Platt and Quay, and Alger and Shafter, and the other "statesmen" who are engineering this imperialistic movement, and who have discovered that the republic is old-fashioned and out of date, and what we really need is an empire and a dictator, a great standing army, heavier taxes, and subject provinces which can be exploited by themselves and their followers.

THERE was not much left of Senator Platt of Connecticut when Senator Hoar got through with him, as he is no match in any respect for our senior senator. It was unfortunate to put Senator Platt forward as the spokesman for the imperialists, as his best friends would not claim that he is a statesman, although he is an able politician of the Connecticut pattern, and is generally well-meaning in what he says and does. But he is not a deep thinker, and Senator Hoar had an easy task in showing up the shallow nature of his arguments, and the deplorable results to which they would lead. An illustration of the Connecticut Senator's habit was furnished in the debate following Senator Hoar's great speech, when Mr. Platt made a great display of his undying devotion to the principles of the Declaration of Independence. Senator Cafery of Louisiana asked him if he would force our government upon the Filipinos against their will, but the Connecticut senator was not willing to reply, and evaded the question. Like other expansionists, Senator Platt does not care for arguments, or anything else, provided they can jam the treaty through the senate, but nevertheless it was rather a humiliating spectacle that Senator Hoar made of them.

THERE are said to be many candidates anxious to succeed Superintendent Hyde, but there is some question whether there is need of any superintendent, and whether the work would not be done just as efficiently by the Water Commissioner and the various foremen, and thus enable the city to save the salary and the other expenses attached to the office of superintendent. This is said to be the opinion of Mayor Wilson, and the experiment is certainly worth a trial. If such an official is found to be needed, he can be appointed at any time, but it is predicted that he will not prove to be needed. It will be one way of saving the money of the tax-payers, and there is certainly no question that the salary list of the city of Newton is much larger than any other city of its size, even if it is not larger than most cities of twice its size.

THE resignation of Rev. Geo. E. Merrill of the Immanuel Baptist church of Newton will be learned of with regret throughout the city. During his pastorate here he has won the esteem and confidence of all, and his departure means a distinct loss to the city. Yet he goes to a larger field of usefulness, and as President of Colgate University, he will occupy a position of great honor and responsibility, for which his many friends believe him to be exceptionally well fitted. He certainly is to be congratulated on the compliment to his scholarship and executive ability implied by a unanimous call to such a position, and it is a matter of local pride that a Newton pastor should have received such an honor.

IT is said that Mayor Wilson has gone through the Engineer's department with a new broom, sweeping out a number of those employed there, with the effect of saving some \$4,000 a year. There is also a report that the army, which has been kept open and heated ever since the departure of Company C, has been ordered closed and the janitor dismissed. If Mayor Wilson keeps on making savings in this way he will be in danger of becoming popular. As we have contended for some time there are a great many ways in which the city's money could be saved, without in any way impairing the efficiency of the departments.

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THE legislative letters which have been a valued feature of the GRAPHIC for several years, are resumed this week, and our special correspondent, who is one of the most experienced reporters at the State House, will continue to give an account of all matters that come up, in which Newton people are interested, and which information is seldom found in the Boston papers, and then only after a long search.

THE L.A.W. Bulletin comes out, this week, with a new cover and a large increase in the number of pages, giving room for much extra reading matter. It is a great improvement, and Mr. Sterling Elliott promises many interesting things in the year to come. The Bulletin makes a specialty of amateur camera work, and in every number are many fine illustrations.

MR. SAMUEL L. POWERS contributed one of the signed editorials in last Sunday's Boston Globe, on Municipal Socialism, which is well worth careful reading, for its clear and concise presentation of one of the tendencies of the present day. It will be found on another page.

THE LEGISLATURE.

THE WHEELS STARTED—THE NEWTON MEN RECEIVE GOOD PLACES—THE REPUBLICAN CAUCUS RENOMINATES LODGE—THE ANNUAL ESTIMATES—RAILROAD BUSINESS IMPORTANT—TROUBLE OVER GAS EXPECTED.

(Special Legislative Correspondence.)

Boston, Jan. 10.

The organization of the great legislative mill is complete, the machinery is adjusted, and it is time for the wheels to go round. Of course the impatient public, which is always anxious to have the general court adjourn the moment it gets going, will now proceed to block the wheels of legislation by neglecting, as a rule, to put anything in until the last day of the month, when the time limit is reached, and thus prevent a large number of matters from being heard in January, when they could be considered to advantage.

I think the general verdict is that Speaker

Bates assigned his committees with great skill this year. President Smith did not need so much skill, for he has such a senate as never was to choose his chairmen from. The cream of the house of 1898 was skinned off to add to the dignity and usefulness of this year's senate, and meanwhile most of the best men of 1898 were left over. This makes fine chairmen for most of the committees. But meanwhile, a large number of elements of discord have been dumped into the house by the whirligig of politics, and their general character being known, it was a matter of skilful arrangement to put these, not only where they would do the most good, but the least harm. For instance, those of us who have been for some years about the state house are aware that such committees as mercantile affairs, manufactures and railroads are very palatable bits to Mr. James H. Mellen of Worcester. What Democrat, or Republican for that matter, could ask more than a place on the committee on rules, another on ways and means, and a monitorship? To keep the house in order, however, I do not know but ex-Senator Longworth would have liked a place on manufactures, where he served for a year or two; but he certainly could not complain when he was instead placed upon metropolitan affairs, where he can head off almost anything which his dearest foe, Mayor Quincy, asks for. Doubtless there were important chairmen, which were to be found in the Senate, but he could scarcely complain, when, as the greatest sheep raiser of Massachusetts, he was made chairman of agriculture, and also given a place on ways and means. I need not particularize further. I simply maintain that the speaker has shown consummate skill in drawing the teeth of certain dangerous or threatening elements, so far as committee appointments go. Most of them will be found in the house at first, for there are so many men of strength of will and belligerency brought together that it cannot be avoided.

The Newton men were placed where they desired to be, and what better could have been done. There may be some discussion as to whether Mr. Chadwick could have done better for his district on the non-Republican side, but I do not think he had such a good time for two years, but he certainly has received one of the pleasantest committee appointments there are, being placed on cities. It has within a year or two been increased in number to the size of the metropolitan committee, and the effort has been successfully made to divide the Boston matters between the two committees. Many of the important and difficult questions from Newton have always gone before this committee. Mr. Langford got for water supply and got it, though there was a feeling in some quarters that he might prefer election laws, which undoubtedly he could have had for the asking. Water supply will be a very congenial place for a man in his line, and the more experience he has the better.

Senator Harwood received two chairmanships, libraries and parishes, but with his other committee appointments he will be more than employed. He returned to his old love, railroads, and was added to the judiciary committee. It is one of the odd things which happen, that in all his legislative experience he has never been on the non-Republican side, though, however, he has been chairman of probate. The reason is that he has always been in demand for working chairmanships. Having waded through the tiresome taxation question to the exclusion of about everything else last year, he this year claimed the right to go upon congenial committees.

The Republican senatorial caucus met yesterday afternoon, and President Smith in the chair, and 150 members of the state and house present. Senator Parsons, who objected to a caucus last week, was not present, neither was Mr. Myers of Cambridge. There was no break in the harmony of the meeting itself. Speaker Bates made a lively speech of nomination, which was seconded by Senator Atwill of Lynn, representing the non-Republican side, Senator Lodge, and that gentleman was then placed in nomination to succeed himself, without further ceremony.

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use of the Moon Island plant by the Neponset river system. There will be plenty of trouble in the elections which will be assigned for hearings in the immediate future. For instance, one of these asks for the repeal of the law providing for the extension of Cove street over the Boston Terminal company's property. It is unnecessary to remark that the building of the street over the tracks will be a nuisance to any person who has visited that part of the city. Another is an amendment petition in favor of amendment of the law concerning the laying out of streets in Boston, which is likely to reach Mr. Chadwick's committee. Though it is impossible to say today just what it means, the indications are that it has something to do with the lands beyond the south station, which the consolidated road would like to have for its own use, but which the Commonwealth has resented from the harbor for a better purpose.

Then the railroad commission, of which Mr. Bishop of your city is a member, will make a report which Senator Harwood and his associates must consider, on the question of rates of fare to the suburbs. I think I have heretofore explained that the railroad of the Boston & Maine is the only one that has rates of fare higher than those charged for the Fitchburg road gives them between Boston and Waltham. This road, however, has no electric competition to speak of, and the attitude of Counsel Coolidge of the Boston & Maine before the commission seemed to be that his road at least would prefer not to attempt to meet electric competition in the suburbs, in view of the large traffic to distant points. I do not now recall that the Albany road made a special plea in the matter.

The prison commission, which has several Newton people engaged in its work, makes few important recommendations this year, a new hospital and bath rooms are asked for at the Concord Reformatory, five additional officers at the state prison, and four hours and one-half at the Women's prison at Sherborn. The governor has dropped another fire brand in insisting at state convention of county prisons.

The question of gas consolidation in Boston will come before the manufacturers' committee in the report of the gas and electric light commission, which is not due for two or three weeks.

Chief Clerk Adams of the treasury department is still praying for the war to cease. It is over, practically, but the 7-dollar checks to Massachusetts volunteers must go on until the senate ratifies the peace treaty.

Mr. Wales, your fellow townsman, who serves as clerk of the harbor and land office, has been appointed to the position of first assistant port warden over Boston harbor with the Montreal commission. It was a cold and stormy day, and overcoats were about as effectual as dusters in keeping out the chill on board a tug.

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STILL ANOTHER FEATURE.

THE BOSTON SUNDAY JOURNAL HAS A MUSIC PORTFOLIO.

When a Sunday newspaper is reaching literally thousands of new readers each week, it would seem at first thought that it would be content simply to maintain its present standard of excellence. But the Boston Sunday Journal is not satisfied while there yet remains something that will please its readers.

That explains why the Boston Sunday Journal will now issue regularly, beginning next Sunday, an eight-page music portfolio of regular sheet music size. Instrumental and vocal compositions of high merit are included in each number, compositions that would cost a dollar if bought separately. In next Sunday's issue will appear a charming song, "My Love for The Grows Stronger Day by Day," words by Kuhar, and music by Blaize; and a stirring piano selection, "Triumphal March," by Cary.

The Boston Sunday Journal has more than a hundred pages now, the largest number ever issued regularly by any newspaper. Then, too, it is the only Boston Sunday paper that uses the half-tone process in all its illustrations, and also the most expensive feature ever given with any newspaper, in the New England Home Magazine, which accompanies it. Here is what the Boston Sunday Journal reader gets for five cents: 40 pages of news and features; 8 pages music portfolio; 8 pages photographic illustrations; 48-page bound magazine. Total, 104 pages.

SOMERVILLE, 8; Newton, 0.

The Somerville High and Newton High polo teams played a game on Spy Pond, Arlington, yesterday, the former winning by a score of 8 to 0. The game was Somerville's from the start, her rushes keeping the ball about Newton's goal, and Cuddy getting out one stop during the game. Newton held her opponent down to three goals in the first half, both teams playing a fast game.

SOMERVILLE. McHae, r. Gunshen, r. Story, c. Phillips, b. Cuddy, g. Goods—Gunshen, 5; McHae, 2; Story, 1. Referee—racy. Umpires—Nickerson and Ball. Time—15 and 20 minute halves.

MARRIED.

SIMKHOVITCH—KINGSBURY—On Saturday, Jan. 7, 1899, at the Chapel of the Incarnation, New York City, by the Rev. Henry S. Nash, D. D., assisted by the Rev. Henry R. Wade, Mrs. Mary M. Nash, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James King, and to Vladimir Grigorievitch Simkovich.

IMESON—POOLE—At Newton Upper Falls, Jan. 2, by Rev. F. J. McConnell, Mark Imeson and Anna Poole.

LYNN—MULLEN—At West Newton, Jan. 5, by Rev. C. J. Gallogan, William Francis Glynn and Annie Mullen.

CHASSON—BURNS—At Newton, Jan. 10, by Rev. M. Dolan, Jerome Chasson and Julia Burns.

MELANSON—SANCON—At Cambridge, Jan. 10, by Rev. H. Alfred, Charles Benjamin Melanson and Sancon.

ROBERTSON—WIGHT—At Auburndale, Jan. 10, by Rev. T. W. Bishop, Asa Ernest Robertson and Elizabeth Rose Wight.

NEWTONVILLE.

—Mr. Steven Donahue has moved to Needham.
—Mr. A. H. Sisson is reported as convalescing.
—Mr. John Payne has recovered from his recent illness.
—Dr. Stoddard has recovered from an attack of the grip.
—Mr. H. D. Kingsbury left Wednesday for New York on business.

—Miss Daisy Ramsey is quite ill at her home on Washington park.
—Mr. J. V. Sullivan is able to be out again after his recent illness.

—Mrs. J. E. Robertson of Edinboro street is out of town for a few weeks.
—Mr. Edward T. Trotter is suffering with a severe attack of the grip.

—Mr. C. T. Berry, the watchmaker, has returned to work after his recent illness.

—Mrs. Collins of New Hampshire has moved into the Griffin house on Highland terrace.

—Mr. W. F. Lunt of Newtonville avenue left Thursday morning on a business trip to Florida.

—Mrs. E. C. James of Portsmouth, N. H., is visiting her son, Mr. G. F. James, on Austin street.

—Mr. Alfred Pratt returned from his trip to Jamaica Monday, and has resumed work at Bates' grocery.

—Mr. Louis Ross left this week on a trip to South America. He will be absent several months.

—Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Moore of Pipestone, Minn., are visiting Mr. S. C. Gullow on Churchill avenue.

—The friends who were visiting Mrs. C. S. Crain on Newtonville avenue have returned to Springfield.

—The Y. P. C. U. held a business meeting Saturday evening at the home of Miss Lane, Dickerman road.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hunting entertained a party at their residence on Clyde street Monday evening.

—Mr. Roland Smith, who was the guest of his sister, Mrs. A. F. Harrington, left this week for a trip abroad.

—Who do some photographs cost more than others? Partridge, opposite the depot, Newtonville, will be pleased to answer.

—Boydton Lodge, W. O. I. O. L., held a meeting in Donnison hall Tuesday afternoon. There was a large attendance.

—Good skating is reported on Ballough's pond, and a large number of young people have taken advantage of the smooth ice.

—Messrs. Harry N. Hyde and Leon P. Dutch will give the second dance in the course of assemblies in Dennison hall, Friday, Jan. 20th.

—Mr. Percy Stiles was the leader of the Y. P. S. C. E. meeting Sunday evening at the Central Congregational church. The subject was "Toleration."

—Three candidates will be initiated at the meeting of General Hull Lodge, A. O. U. W., this evening. A smoke talk will be served, and refreshments will be served.

—The regular meeting of Dalhousie Lodge was held Wednesday evening. The first and second degrees were worked. A collation was served at the close of the business session.

—Mr. and Mrs. John Cutler and Mr. and Mrs. Franklin M. Elms have returned from their wedding tour, and have taken up their abode at the residence of the bride on Walker street.

—Miss Linda M. Curtis left on Jan. 8th, for Honolulu, H. I., via San Francisco. Miss Curtis was accompanied by her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Delos Shaw, and cousin, Miss Jacobs.

—Miss Wheeler gave an interesting talk on the needs of the women of Constantinople before the Ladies' Foreign Missionary circle at the Central Congregational church Wednesday afternoon.

—A pleasant social was held last evening in the Universalist church parlors, Washington park. There was a large attendance. A collation was served and a pleasing platform entertainment was presented.

—The alarm from box 28 last Monday afternoon at 1:35 o'clock was for a slight blaze in the henney on the estate owned by Mr. E. P. Barnham on Crafts street. The cause was an over-heated incubator. Loss \$10.

—Mrs. Lydia L. Davenport of Natick died Saturday at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Ethel G. Davis. Deceased was 78 years of age. The funeral was held Tuesday from the home of Miss Davis, Brooks avenue.

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—Mrs. H. M., widow of the late John A. Savage, died at the home of her son, Mr. A. A. Savage. Deceased was 71 years of age. She was the mother of ten children, of whom five survive her. She was a native of Charlestown, but a large portion of her life was passed in New Hampshire, where she leaves a large circle of friends to mourn her loss. The funeral was held from the residence of her son on Brooks avenue. Rev. F. E. Hamilton, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, officiated at the services. The remains were taken to New Hampshire for interment.

—Mrs. Walter Chaloner addressed the Franklin N. H. Woman's club last Friday in the auditorium in spite of the storm of criticism sent there as to her audience and great enthusiasm among the "Daughters of the old Granite State" as the subject of the afternoon was "June and October on New Hampshire lakes and hills." The exhibition of water colors by Mrs. Chaloner was of New Hampshire scenes entirely, supplemented by photographs of the granite industry by members of local scenes. The music was a solo by Mrs. Chaloner.

—Mr. Taylor of the Tuskegee Normal school made an address at the morning service at the Unitarian church Sunday. He told of the good accomplished by the institute and also of the great needs of the school. A collection was taken to help ad-

"Lake Winnepesaukee," "Springtime," and "After the Storm."

—Mr. P. S. Allen has leased the Gordon house, on Walnut street, and Dr. Martin has an office at the house.

—There was no session at the high school this morning, on account of the failure of the steam pipes to supply sufficient heat.

—The January meeting of the Missionary society will be held this evening in the chapel of the Central Congregational church.

—The regular monthly sociable of the Universalist church was held last evening, including the supper an entertainment consisting of tableaux and special features was given.

—A large number of Masons attended the installation ceremony at Pequossette Lodge, Watertown, last evening. A collation was served, followed by speech making by the various officers and visitors.

—Mr. Chas. A. Kellogg, the electrician, has removed his office to room 5, in the Robert building, 201 Walnut street, and is prepared to fill any orders. All reports say he has sold out and is without any foundation.

—On Monday, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Trotter on Austin street, occurred the death of Mrs. Calder's mother, Mrs. Pierce. Mrs. Pierce had been ill with consumption for a number of months. She was a regular attendant at the Methodist church, and had a large circle of friends among the congregation members. The remains were removed to St. Johnsbury, Vt., for interment.

—Methodist Episcopal church—Sunday evening at 7:30, the pastor, Rev. Franklin Hamilton, will preach a special sermon to young men. These new year services are becoming of increasing interest. All young people are invited. All seats are free. Morning service at 10:30 a. m. in the church the paid rental system has recently been discontinued. This renders every pew open to the public. All strangers especially are invited.

—Unmade W. W. Montgomery assisted by S. A. Langley of Charles Ward Post 62, G. A. R., installed the officers of Isaac Post 81, G. A. R., Watertown, Monday evening. There was an unusually large gathering of veterans. The installing officers were highly complimented on the efficiency of their work. A collation was served at the close of the business session. Addresses were made by several of the visitors. Among other speakers were Captains Montgomery and Langley.

—At the annual meeting of the Masonic Hall Association, held last evening, the officers elected were President, Frank A. Remond; Vice-President, Frank K. Porter; treasurer, Edward P. Hatch; clerk and director, Wallace C. Boyden; directors, Lewis E. Binney, N. Henry Chadwick, John P. Eustis, John W. Fisher, James B. Fuller, Charles F. Mason, Samuel Shaw, Clarence Tebbets, Edward D. Van Tassel, George E. Williams, Austin H. Decatur; auditor, Edwin W. Gay.

—The Rev. Wm. A. Holbrook will preach Sunday morning at St. John's Episcopal church in Temple hall, at 10:45 a. m. Mr. Holbrook will be particularly connected with the West Newton Woman's Alliance.

—At the afternoon service at 4 p. m. Rev. E. T. Sullivan of Trinity church, Newton Centre, will preach. This is an opportunity to hear one of the most promising young rectors of this diocese. Mrs. H. L. Grew will sing the offertory solo, and the surprised choir will render the following music:

Processional, "The King of Love my Shepherd is." Dykes

Glory, "I'm but a Stranger Here." Sullivan

Remond, "Lord, I'm with You." Dykes

Doxology, "Sing my Soul His Wondrous Love." Dykes

—The New & Bos' on street railway company have received this week another of the palace cars they have been adding to their equipment this winter. This car is No. 37, and was finished the same as No. 33 and 35, all three being built by the same firm, some from Springfield, and no expense is spared to make them the finest and best equipped cars in Massachusetts. Finished in mahogany, plate glass windows that are as clear and handsome as can be found in the palaces of the Vanderbilts, upholstered in plush, seats of the celebrated box spring pattern, large commodious vestibules, fittings of the weather, heavy brass trimmings. There is nothing left out that money or experience can get or suggest to make those complete cars. On and after Saturday the cars will go right through without change at Newtonville square, as has been the custom this winter. Passengers on Watertown, Watertown street, Walnut street, will go right through without change at Newtonville, making it much easier and more convenient to reach the churches, high school, and other places in Newtonville.

WEST NEWTON.

—Mr. E. Burdon of Webster street is ill with the grip.

—Mrs. A. S. Kershaw of Cross street is ill with the grip.

—Mr. H. W. French is ill with the grip at his home on Hinsdale street.

—Mrs. B. S. Hatch of Watertown street is in New York for a short stay.

—Mr. Geo. H. Ingraham is able to be again after his recent illness.

—Mrs. Francis G. Curtis of Temple street returned from New York, Tuesday.

—Mr. William E. Rice, who has been ill at his home on Winslow street, has again assumed his duties.

—Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Talbot celebrate their silver wedding this evening at their home on Washington street.

—Miss Rigsley, who has been visiting Mrs. Edward Spaulding on Winthrop street, returned to her home, Saturday.

—The Newton Ladies' Home Circle held a business meeting Wednesday afternoon in the parlors of the Unitarian church.

—"Bible directions for Practical Life" was the subject at the vesper service at the Congregational church, Sunday evening.

—The Home Circle Whist will be held Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Charles Miner, Lexington street, Auburndale.

—Miss Dunbar, Miss Carter, Miss Marjorie King, Miss Fanny Garrison and Miss Alice Hill returned to Northampton this week.

—Extra meetings were held in the Baptist vestry, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. Special interest was shown at the services last week.

—Mr. Mathew Armitage, who has been ill with typhoid fever for some time in the hospital at Camp Wetherell, S. C., has returned to his company.

—At the prayer meeting at the Congregational church this evening, a vote will be taken as to whether the use of individual communion cups be adopted.

—A delegation from the Baptist Missionary Circle attended a missionary meeting at Newton Centre, Tuesday afternoon. Rev. Dr. Coe, a missionary from the Alaskan Orphanage, was present and told of the needs of the school. A collection was taken to help the Alaskan Orphanage.

—Mr. Taylor of the Tuskegee Normal school made an address at the morning service at the Unitarian church Sunday. He told of the good accomplished by the institute and also of the great needs of the school. A collection was taken to help ad-

vance the work. About seventy-three dollars was raised.

—Mr. Van Cleave returned from his New York trip, Tuesday.

—Mr. Charles Scammon is convalescing after a severe illness.

—Mr. James P. Furneaux is ill at his home on Dunston street.

—Mr. George Dearborn is confined to Lynn for a month, and perhaps longer.

—Mrs. Ellery Perkins entertained a party of friends at whist, Monday evening.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Nickerson of Webster street are visiting in Rutland, Vt.

—Dr. F. L. Thayer is reported as convalescing after a severe attack of grip.

—Miss Bessie Cheney of Highland street has recovered from her recent illness.

—Mr. Richard E. Cobb is quite ill at his home on Washington street, with the grip.

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My Unwilling Neighbor.

[CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK.]

As we hurried along by my house and into their garden, which now seemed to be unevenly divided into two parts, scream after scream came from Mrs. Carson as she noticed the absence of sheds, fences or vegetable beds which had found themselves in the course of my all destroying dwelling. Once she turned her head toward me, her face pallid. "If you have scratched up little Samuel!" she screamed, panting, but she had not breath enough to finish the sentence and continued onward with clinched fists.

But little Samuel was not scratched up. My house had not passed within 100 feet of his resting place. Then we turned and went back to the house, or rather to the houses.

It was now well on in the morning, and some of the neighbors had become aware of the strange disaster which had happened to me, although if they had heard the news from Mrs. Carson they might have supposed that it was a disaster which had happened only to her.

As they gazed at the two houses so closely jammed together all of them wondered, some of them even laughed, but not one of them offered a suggestion which afforded satisfaction to Mrs. Carson or myself. The general opinion was that my house was there, it would have to stay there, for there were not enough horses in the state to pull it back up that mountain side. To be sure, it might possibly be moved off sideways, but whether it was moved one way or the other a lot of Mrs. Carson's trees would have to be cut down to let it pass.

"Which shall never happen!" cried that good lady. "If nothing else can be done, it must be taken apart and hauled off in carts; but no matter how it is managed it must be moved, and that immediately."

Miss Carson now prevailed upon her mother to go into the house, and I stood and talked to the men and few women who had gathered outside.

When they had said all they had to say and seen all there was to see, these people went home to their breakfasts. I entered my house, not by the front door, for to do that I would have been obliged to trespass upon Mrs. Carson's back porch. I got my hat and was about to start for the town when I heard my name called. Turning into the hall, I saw Miss Carson, who was standing at my front door.

"Mr. Warren," said she, "you have not any way of getting breakfast, have you?"

"Oh, no!" said I. "My servants are up there in their cabin, and I suppose they are too much scared to come down, but I am going to town to see what can be done about my house and will get my breakfast there."

"It's a long way to go without anything to eat," she said, "and we can give you some breakfast, but I want to ask you something. I am in a good deal of perplexity. Our two servants are out at the front of the house, but they positively refuse to come in. They are afraid that your house may be sliding again and crush them all, so I shall have to get breakfast. Let what bothers me is trying to find our well. I have been outside and can see no signs of it."

"Where was your well?" I gasped. "It ought to be somewhere near the back of your house," she said. "May I go through your hall and look out?"

"Of course you may!" I cried, and I preceded her to my back door.

"Now, it seems to me," she said after surveying the scene of desolation immediately before and looking from side to side toward objects which had remained untouched, "that your house has passed directly over our well and must have carried away the little shed and the pump and everything above ground. I shold not wonder a bit," she continued slowly, "if it is under your porch."

I jumped to the ground—for the steps were shattered—and began to search for the well, and it was not long before I discovered its round dark opening, which was, as Miss Carson had imagined, under one end of my porch.

"What can we do?" she asked. "We can't have breakfast or get along at all without water." It was a terribly depressing thing to me to think that I, or rather my house, had given these people so much trouble, but I speedily assured Miss Carson that if she could find a bucket and a rope which I could lower into the well I could provide her with water.

She went into her house to see what she could find, and I tore away the broken planks of the porch so that I could get to the well, and then, when she came with a tin pail and a clothesline, I went to work with great ardor to haul up water and to carry it to her back door.

"I don't want mother to find out what has happened to the well," she said, "for she has enough on her mind already."

Mrs. Carson was a woman with some good points in her character. After a time she called to me herself and told me to come in to breakfast, but during the meal she talked very earnestly to me about the amazing trespass I had committed and about the means which should be taken to repair the damages my house had done to her property. I was as optimistic as I could be, and the young lady spoke very cheerfully and hopefully about the affair, so that we were beginning to get along somewhat pleasantly when suddenly Mrs. Carson sprang to her feet. "Heavens and earth!" she cried. "This house is moving!"

She was not mistaken. I had felt beneath my feet a sudden, sharp shock, not severe, but unmistakable. I remembered that both houses stood upon slightly sloping ground. My blood turned cold; my heart stood still. Even Miss Carson was pale.

When we had rushed out of doors, to

see what had happened, I soon found that we had been needlessly frightened. Some of the broken timbers on which my house had been partially resting had given way, and the front part of the building had slightly descended, jarring as it did so the other houses against which it rested. I endeavored to prove to Mrs. Carson that the result was encouraging rather than otherwise, for my house was now more firmly settled than it had been; but she did not value the opinion of a man who did not know enough to put his house in a place where it would be likely to stay, and she could eat no more breakfast and was even afraid to stay under her own roof until experienced mechanics had been summoned to look into the state of affairs.

I hurried away to the town, and it was not long before several carpenters and masons were on the spot. After a thorough examination they assured Mrs. Carson that there was no danger; that my house would do no further damage to her premises; but to make things certain they would bring some heavy beams and brace the front of my house against her cellar wall. When that should be done, it would be impossible for it to move again.

"But I don't want it braced!" cried Mrs. Carson. "I want it taken away. I want it out of my back yard."

The master carpenter was a man of imagination and expedience. "That is quite another thing, ma'am," said he. "We'll fix this gentleman's house so that you needn't be afraid of it, and then when the time comes to move it there's several ways of doing that. We might rig up a powerful windlass at the top of the hill and perhaps get a steam engine to turn it, and we could fasten cables to the house and haul it back to where it belongs."

"And can you take your oaths," cried Mrs. Carson, "that those ropes won't break and when that house gets half way up the hill it won't come sliding down ten times faster than it did and crash into me and mine and everything I own on earth? No, sir; I'll have no house hauled up half back of me!"

"Of course," said the carpenter, "it would be a great deal easier to move it on this ground, which is almost level!"

"And cut down my trees to it! No, sir!"

"Well, then," said he, "there is no way to do but to take it apart and haul it off."

"Which would make an awful time at the back of my house while you were doing it," exclaimed Mrs. Carson.

I now put it in a word. "There's only one thing to do that I can see," I exclaimed. "I will sell it to a match factory. It is almost all wood, and it can be cut up in sections, about two inches thick and then split into matches."

Kitty smiled. "I should like to see them," she said, "taking away the little sticks in wheelbarrows."

"There is no need of trifling on the subject," said Mrs. Carson. "I have had a great deal to bear, and I must bear it no longer than is necessary. I have just found out that in order to get water out of my own well I must go to the back porch of a stranger. Such things cannot be endured. If my son George were here, he would tell me what I ought to do. I shall write to him and see what he advises. I do not mind waiting a little bit, now that I know that you can fix Mr. Warren's house so that it won't move any farther."

My labor in regard to vines, bushes and all that sort of thing were generally carried on under direction of Mrs. Carson or her daughter, and the elderly lady was a very busy housewife the horticultural work was generally left to Miss Kitty and me.

I liked Miss Kitty. She was a cheerful, whole souled person, and I sometimes thought that she was not so unwilling to have me for a neighbor as the rest of the family seemed to be, for if I were to judge the disposition of her brother George from what her mother told me about his letters both he and Mrs. Carson must be making a great many plans to get me off the premises.

Nearly a month had now passed since my house and I made that remarkable morning call upon Mrs. Carson. I was becoming accustomed to my present mode of living, and so far as I was concerned it satisfied me very well. I certainly lived a great deal better than when I was depending upon my old negro cook. Miss Kitty seemed to be satisfied with things as they were, and so in some respects did her mother, but the latter never ceased to give me extracts from some of her son George's letters, and this was always annoying and worrying me. Evidently he was not pleased with me as such a close neighbor to his mother, and it was astonishing how many expedients he proposed in order to rid her of my undesirable proximity.

"My son George," said Mrs. Carson one morning, "has been writing to me about jackscrews. He says that the greatest improvements have been made in jackscrews."

"What do you do with them, mother?" asked Miss Kitty.

"You lift houses with them," said she. "He says that in large cities they lift whole blocks of houses with them and build stories underneath. He thinks that we can get rid of our trouble here if we use jackscrews."

"But how does he propose to use them?" I asked.

"Oh, he has a good many plans," answered Mrs. Carson. "He said that he would not wonder if jackscrews could be made large enough to lift your house entirely over mine and set it out in the road, where it could be carried away without interfering with anything, excepting, of course, vehicles which might be coming along. But he has another plan. That is to lift my house up and carry it out into the field on the other side of the road, and then your house must be carried along right over the cellar until it got to the road. In that way, he says, the bushes and trees would not have to be interfered with."

"I think Brother George is cracked," said Kitty.

All this sort of thing worried me

very much. My mind was eminently disposed toward peace and tranquillity, and who could be peaceful and tranquil with a prospective jackscrew under the very base of his comfort and happiness?

In fact, my house had never been such a happy home as it was at that time. The fact of its unwarranted position upon other people's grounds had ceased to trouble me.

But the coming son George with his jackscrews did trouble me very much, and that afternoon I deliberately went into Mrs. Carson's house to look for Kitty. I knew her mother was not at home, for I had seen her go out. When Kitty appeared, I asked her to come out on her back porch. "Have you thought of any new plan of moving it?" she said with a smile as we sat down.

"No," said I earnestly. "I have not, and I don't want to think of any plan of moving it. I am tired of seeing it there. I am tired of thinking about moving it away, and I am tired of hearing people talk about moving it. I have no right to forget it. What I want to do is to go entirely away and leave everything behind me—except one thing."

"And what is that?" asked Kitty.

"You understand me, Kitty," I said. "There is nothing in the world that I care for but you. What have you to say to me?"

Then came back to her little smile. "I think it would be very foolish for us to go away," she said.

It was about a quarter of an hour after this when Kitty proposed that we should go out to the front of the house. It would look queer if any of the servants should come by and see us sitting together like that. I had forgotten that there were other people in the world, but I went with her.

We were standing on the front porch close to each other, and I think we were holding each other's hand, when Mrs. Carson came back. As she approached she looked at us inquiringly, plainly wishing to know why we were standing side by side before her door as if we had some special object in so doing.

"Well!" said she as she came up the steps. Of course it was right that I should speak, and in a few words as possible I told her what Kitty and I had been saying to each other. I never saw Kitty's mother look so cheerful and so handsome as when she came forward and kissed her daughter and shook hands with me. She seemed so perfectly satisfied that it amazed me. After a little Kitty left us, and then Mrs. Carson asked me to sit by her on a rustic bench.

"Now," she said, "this will straighten out things in the very best way. When you are married, you and Kitty will live in the back building—for of course your house will now be the same thing as a back building—and you can have the second floor. We won't have any separate tables, because it will be a great deal nicer for you and Kitty to live with me, and it will simply be your paying board for two persons instead of one, and you know you can manage your vineyard just as well from the bottom of the hill as from the top. The lower rooms of what used to be your house can be made very pleasant and comfortable for us all."

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"What used to be your house," she continued, "can be jackscrewed up a little bit and a good foundation put under it. I have inquired about that. Of course it would not have been proper to let you know that I was satisfied with the state of things, but I was satisfied, and there is no use trying to deny it. As soon as I got over my first scare, after that house came down the hill, and had seen how everything might be arranged to suit all parties, I said to myself, 'What the Lord has joined together let no man put asunder,' and so, according to my belief, the strongest kind of jackscrews could not put these two houses asunder any more than they could put you and Kitty asunder, now that you have agreed to take each other for each other's own."

Jack Brandiger came to call that evening, and when he had heard what had happened he whistled a good deal. "You are a funny kind of a fellow," said he. "You go courting like a snail, with your house on your back."

I think Jack was a little discomforted. "Don't be discouraged, Jack," said I. "You will get a good wife some of these days—that is, if you don't try to slide up hill to find her."

THE END.

A TRIBE.

Timid Youth—I—er—have come to ask a very g—great—er—favor of you, and I—er—

Stern Parent—Well, cut it short young man. This is my busy day.

Timid Youth—I—love your—er—daughter, sir, and I—er—would ask her hand in m—marriage. She is w—w—

Stern Parent—Oh, is that it? Well, take her, my boy, and welcome. I thought at first you wanted to borrow money.—Chicago News

The people of India are the most prone to litigation of any on the globe. There are 1,500,000 lawsuits every year.

THEY WANT TO TELL

These Grateful Women Who Have Been Helped by Mrs. Pinkham.

Women who have suffered severely and been relieved of their ills by Mrs. Pinkham's advice and medicine are constantly urging publication of their statements for the benefit of other women. Here are two such letters:

Mrs. Lizzie BEVERLY, 258 Merrimac St., Lowell, Mass., writes:

"It affords me great pleasure to tell all suffering women of the benefit I have received from taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I can hardly find words to express my gratitude for what she has done for me. My trouble was ulceration of the womb. I was under the doctor's care. Upon examination he found fifteen very large ulcers, but he failed to do me good. I took several bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, also used the Sanative Wash, and am cured. Mrs. Pinkham's medicine saved my life, and I would recommend it to all suffering women."

Mrs. AMOS TROMBLEY, Ellenburg Ctr., N. Y., writes:

"I took cold at the time my baby was born, causing me to have milk legs, and was sick in bed for eight weeks. Doctors did me no good. I was also troubled with falling of the womb. I could not eat, had faint spells as often as ten times a day. One day a lady came to see me and told me of the benefit she had derived from taking Lydia E. Pinkham's medicine, and advised me to try it. I did so, and had taken only half a bottle before I was taken to bed in a chair. After taking three bottles I could do my own work. I am now in perfect health."

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LIST OF NEW BOOKS.

Abbott, Lyman. Life and Letters of Paul the Apostle.	93.765
Adams, Henry Carter. Science of Finance: an Investigation of Public Expenditure and Public Income.	85.236
The author desires to "contribute something to the development of a financial system that shall satisfy the peculiar requirements of Federal and local government in the United States."	
Banks, Louis Albert. Immortal Stories of Our Field: the Story of their Inspiration, and Striking Anecdotes connected with their History.	57.455
Bull, Jacob B. Fridtjof Nansen; a Book for the Young.	91.966
A narrative of Nansen's life and his adventures in the Arctic regions.	
Colton, Buel P. Physiology, Experimental and Descriptive.	101.923
Daudet, Leon A. Alphonse Daudet (Memoir), to "The Daudet Family" (Mon Frere et moi), by Ernest Daudet.	91.965
The life of Daudet is here given by his son and brother.	
Dixon, Charles. Lost and Vanishing Birds: a Record of some Remarkable Extinct Species and a Plea for some Threatened Forms.	105.563
Douglas, Amanda Minnie. Sherburne Girls.	
Dunn, Finley Peter (pseud. Martin Dooley). Mr. Dooley in Peace and War.	65.965
The sayings of Mr. Dooley, a well-to-do Irishman who philandered with all manner of ethical and social questions, appeared in the Chicago Journal and Chicago Evening Post.	
Dunton, Theodore Watts. Aylwin Field, Lillian F. An Introduction to the Study of the Renals-sance.	65.963
Gives short accounts of the middle ages, and then describes the revival of literature, painting, sculpture and architecture in Italy, France, Spain, Germany, Holland and Flanders.	
Fiske, Amro K. Story of the Philippines.	37.399
A popular account of the island from their discovery by Magellan to the capture by Dewey.	
Gilman, Daniel Coit. University Problems in the United States.	85.265
Hale, Edward Everett. Historic Boston and its Neighborhood: an Historic Pilgrimage personally conducted by E. E. Hale, arranged for seven Days.	
History and descriptions of historic sites and buildings play a large part in these rambles.	
Hearn, Lafcadio. Exotics and Retrospectives.	54.1246
The author says in his preface that his little essays deal with experiences in two hemispheres.	
Latimer, Mary Elizabeth Wormsley. My Scrap-Book of the French Revolution.	73.354
Morten, Honnor, ed. A Complete System of Nursing: written by Medical Men and Nurses.	101.917
Siebert, Wilbur H. The Underground Railroad from Slavery to Freedom; with Intro. by A. P. Harn.	73.444
A systematic study of the efforts and results of the efforts put forth by Abolitionists during a period of more than sixty years in behalf of hundreds of slaves that sought and received freedom by flight.	
Slosser, Annie Trumbull. Dumb Foxglove and other stories.	64.1946
Stories and tales of Connecticut village life.	
Smith, George Adam. Life of Henry Drummond.	95.612
Dr. Smith was an intimate friend of Professor Drummond, and was chosen by his father and friends to prepare this biography.	
Steevens, George W. With Kitchener to Khartum.	72.454
Stockton, Frank R. The Associate Hermits.	65.966
Stratemeyer, Edward. A Young Volunteer in Cuba; or Fighting for the Single Star.	64.1939
Tuer, Andrew W. Pages and Pictures from Forgotten Children's Books.	54.1231
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There is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, and the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over 1-1/2 as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cts. and 25 cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

AUBURNDALE.

—Mr. James McGuire is visiting here this week.

—Harry Preston has been appointed a substitute letter carrier.

—Rev. T. W. Bishop is able to be out again after his recent illness.

—Mr. James Ford of Melrose street is reported as improving in health.

—Mrs. Emily Chandler is reported ill at her home on Auburndale avenue.

—Miss Grant of Grove street is rapidly recovering from her recent illness.

—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Almy have returned from a visit in Philadelphia.

—Harry Pemberton returned to school at Southboro this week, after a visit here.

—Mrs. Anna E. Eager of Seminary avenue has returned from Philadelphia.

—Mr. Francis Blake and family have removed to their Boston residence this week.

—Mrs. J. B. Chapin of Vista avenue, who has been quite ill, is reported much better.

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—Mrs. W. E. Thayer of Ash street, who has been seriously ill, is now much improved.

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—Dr. Rich, who has been a guest of Prof. Walter Davis of Central street, returns this week to Baltimore.

—The lot of land east of the depot known as Nye's field, is being flooded by the city, and put in use for skaters.

—Thanks to the kind hearted thoughtfulness of some of our citizens, the children are to be made happy by a skating place, and the lot near the station is being flooded these cold nights. Let it be done thoroughly now, and a good safe place made,

and we shall all be made happy in watching them.

—Miss Wilson, who has been visiting friends on Central street, has returned to her home in Chicago, this week.

—Mrs. E. McPhee, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cowdry of Owatonna street, leaves today for the South.

—At the choral service at the Church of the Messiah last Sunday evening, a good many young people were present. Mr. Morse sang a beautiful solo during the offering, entitled "The Light of the World," and the responses were given with the choir with much fervor. The small organ, under the skillful management of Miss Chapin, is really transformed, and becomes full of new life.

—The vestry of the Church of the Messiah for 1898, were entertained by the rector, Rev. John Matteson, last Saturday evening, and found their work ending very satisfactorily. The financial department, under the careful and conscientious management of Mr. Ben Brown as treasurer, was a special cause for congratulation, and the church begins the new year in better condition than ever before.

—The marriage of Miss Lizzie R. Wright, daughter of Mrs. Wright of Auburn street, to Mr. A. S. Robertson, also of this place, took place Tuesday evening, at the home of the bride's mother, in the presence of a small company of friends. Rev. T. W. Bishop officiated. At the close of the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Robertson left for a wedding trip to New York. Upon their return they will reside on Auburn street.

—There came near being an exciting fire in this place, Wednesday afternoon, that caused an alarm from box 4, but which was averted by the prompt work of several employees of Higgins' grocery store. About 4:30 o'clock, a boy in the store of Mr. Higgins, accidentally overturned a gallon can containing kerosene, and the oil ran down the register to the floor. At the instantaneously occurred an explosion, and the flames shot upwards through the furnace pipe. Some one noticed the fire department, but before any water was brought into use, the fire had been extinguished by the employees, who covered the blazing furnace pipes with large quantities of salt. The only damage was a broken furnace.

—Frank Gaffney, 19, and Edward Murphy, 19, two runaways from the Lyman school at Westboro, Tuesday, were rounded up in this place, under rather unique and exciting circumstances. The boys, with a companion, who was captured in Wellesley, left the school on Saturday evening, to come to Boston. Gaffney and Murphy got as far as Auburndale without being overtaken, though their companion failed to elude the Wellesley police. As the two boys were passing through Charles street, they were noticed by E. A. Nicholson. Mr. Nicholson had visited the Lyman school and recognized the uniform. He invoked the aid of the police, and with Patrolman Bush and others forced the boys down the railroad track towards West Newton. In the meantime Druggist W. P. Thorn notified police headquarters by telephone, and Patrolman Harrison came up the track and captured the boys in Eddy's coal yard. Soon after the boys had been locked up a message came from the Lyman school, and the officials there were apprised of the capture. There is a reward of \$10 due somebody for the capture, and to whom it shall be paid, is to be decided by the Lyman school authorities.

—The Froebel Union met at the Ash street kindergarten rooms, Monday afternoon, and was addressed by a number of interested mothers and kindergarten workers, who listened to a delightful talk by Mrs. Kempster, the president of the union, upon the subject of "Universal Motherhood." One point strongly developed was the teaching of humility to children, of teaching them to avoid self-consciousness and self-conceit. The talk developed into a general discussion upon various subjects, such as strict observance of what the boys should be encouraged to defend themselves, and also about charitable work among destitute mothers. The union has been organized but a short time, but is doing a great and very important work. Visiting the different villages it draws to itself the best thought of each, and the seeds sown can not fail to grow. This meeting in January was the occasion of the first visit to Auburndale, and was particularly successful in being held with Miss Aiken, who has for so many years taught the principles of Froebel here, and who had the honor of establishing the first kindergarten in Auburndale. One little incident added to the occasion: the Christmas tree had been placed outside the building so that they shaded the window where the canary was singing. The children were in the boxes and sugar on the trees, and all through the meeting the sparrows were around in perfect showers. It was a pretty sight and gave us a hint as to what to do with our own Christmas trees at home. The Union is open to members in all the Newtons, and is also open to invitations for meetings either at private houses, church parlors, or kindergarten rooms.

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—The Echo Bridge Social Club has disbanded.

—Several cases of the grip are reported in this place.

—Mr. Bernard Billings has returned from a trip South.

—Mrs. A. F. Copeland is seriously ill at her home on Eliot street.

—Mr. Matthew Peck has gone to work in the Petette machine works.

—There are letters remaining in the post office for Victor Theaunet.

—Mr. James E. Ryan is confined to his home on Eliot street by illness.

—Mr. John Mullen has the contract of filling the ice house at the city farm.

—The thermometer registered eight below zero here last Wednesday morning.

—Mr. William Proctor, who has been confined to his home by illness, is convalescing.

—Mr. William McCullough of Waltham was in town this week, the guest of friends.

—Mr. Otis Petree, who has been confined to his home by illness, is said to be improving.

—Preparations are being made for the annual reunion of the pupils of the grammar school.

—Mr. Ira Metcalf, who has been the guest of Mrs. Bernard Billings, has returned to Orange, N. J.

—Mr. Haskell of Chestnut street left Wednesday for Maine, where he was called by the severe illness of his father.

—Mr. A. R. Pitts' house on Rockland place is rapidly nearing completion. He is also building a barn on the estate.

—The officers of Echo Bridge Council, Royal Arcanum, will be installed next Wednesday evening. Several visitors from the surrounding lodges are expected to be present, and a collation will be served, followed by a social hour.

—For greater convenience to my patrons, I desire to announce that all calls for my services may be left with Mr. John W. Howe, High street, who will forward them to me with the greatest possible dispatch. Respectfully, HENRY F. CATE.

—Mrs. Angie E., wife of James E. Troutbridge, died on Thursday afternoon of last week at her home on High street. Deceased had a wide circle of friends here and was dearly beloved by all with whom she came in contact. The funeral occurred on Saturday afternoon.

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—The absence of a "flat-wheeled" car is noticed this week that has been in service some time on the Newton line, and many who have been disturbed in their slumbers have reason to rejoice.

—Rutledge teas are being advertised in a number manner this week at Early's grocery store. A table is presided over by a young lady, who gives all who wish a cup of the beverage and extols its high qualities.

—Miller and Hatch discontinued work last Friday on ice cutting after four days, but have not half their usual quantity. The prospects for a large and better crop are now good, and work will be completed next week.

—Officer Dunleavy had some difficulty in making an arrest late last Saturday night, and the assistance of Officer Taylor was required. The officer was the person of the hour, and was particularly successful in the capture of the two boys. The boys were being held with Miss Aiken, who has for so many years taught the principles of Froebel here, and who had the honor of establishing the first kindergarten in Auburndale. One little incident added to the occasion: the Christmas tree had been placed outside the building so that they shaded the window where the canary was singing. The boys were in the boxes and sugar on the trees, and all through the meeting the sparrows were around in perfect showers. It was a pretty sight and gave us a hint as to what to do with our own Christmas trees at home. The Union is open to members in all the Newtons, and is also open to invitations for meetings either at private houses, church parlors, or kindergarten rooms.

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—Mr. Michael Collins of Wellesley Hills died very suddenly of throat trouble early last Monday morning, his very sudden death coming as a severe shock to family and friends. The day previous to his demise he attended mass and evening vesper service at St. John's church, and was apparently enjoying the best of health. Freeman, who was called to his bedside, arrived but a short time before his death. The funeral services were conducted at St. John's church Wednesday morning. A widow and eight children survive, who have the sympathy of the community in their sad affliction.

—Mr. F. Hodges of the Methodist church of Watertown, will preach at the First Baptist meeting next Sunday.

—The North Evangelical church Ladies' Aid Society met Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Forkland on California street.

—The monthly consecration meeting of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of the North Evangelical church was held Tuesday evening.

—The Helping Hand Society of the Beulah Baptist mission met Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Hudson on Bridge street, when an election of officers was held.

—The alarm from box 245 at 7:30 o'clock last Saturday night was for a fire at the Methodist church at Newtonville? For some time it was five minutes fast. To most of us, this is an annoyance, which could be easily remedied.

—When one is in a hurry for the train and figures on having just time enough to make it, a glance at the clock in the condition it has been of late, is sufficient to give quite a shock to the nervous system. What was a quick walk is changed to a rapid run, only to find when reaching the depot, that the speed acquired was all for reason of a public clock ahead of time.

—I would suggest that the clock be placed in charge of Mr. Sisson, the watchmaker, and that he look after the same. The street railway company is also held responsible for its cars not being on time, because the public take the clock that is too fast, as their guide.

NEWTONVILLE.

WABAN.

—Mr. Richard Wright is convalescing.

—Mr. W. H. Gould is confined with the grip.

—The schools opened last week with a good attendance.

—Mr. Heinlein, proprietor of the Waban market, is confined by illness.

—The Stetsons are now occupying their new house on Pine Ridge road.

—Mr. E. S. Zeis started westward last Saturday, to be gone until April.

—Warden G. W. Whitten has just stored a nice crop of ice from the Dresser pond.

—Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Wales, Jr., entertained a large party at their home Tuesday evening.

—Mr. E. P. Seaver has been confined the past two weeks by illness, but is now able to be out.

—The King's Daughters met this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the residence of Miss Lillian Comer Buffum.

—The family of Mr. F. A. Childs was critically ill at one time this week, but they are now out of danger.

—The Dunston boys, who were guests of Prof. and Mrs. C. E. Fish, have returned to their home in Michigan.

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—Good ice is being housed by G. H. Ellis.—Good skating has been enjoyed all this week on Crystal lake.

—Mrs. F. C. Boisner and Miss Levina Boisner are visiting out of town.

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—Mr. Artemus White of Warren street is recovering from an attack of the grip.

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—W. H. A. Clark of Portland, Maine was the guest of his parents on Cypress street this week.

—The Circuit Cycle Club will next week remove its rooms from Bray block to the new Union building.

—The regular meeting of the Maria B. Furber Missionary Society will be held next Monday afternoon.

—Mr. Belyea of St. Johns, New Brunswick, is visiting his sister, Mrs. R. B. Graham of Langley road.

—Lawrence Stanley has been appointed a regular letter carrier, and has been attached to the central postoffice.

—Miss Alma Frechette of Franklin, New Hampshire, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles Ashford of Langley road.

—Next Wednesday the Vermont Association will meet at the Vendome in Boston, and Hon. Alden Speare will preside.

—Private George W. Cobb, M. V. M., arrived at his home on Pleasant street last evening from camp in South Carolina.

—The monthly business meeting and sociable of the Young People's Society of the First Church was held Wednesday evening.

—The annual roll call and supper of the members of the First Congregational church will take place Thursday evening of next week.

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—The Newton Centre Golf Club, assisted by Mr. T. E. Stutson, will give an entertainment in Associates hall, Tuesday evening, Jan. 24, at 8 o'clock.

—An entertainment for March 1st is announced by the local improvement society. Previous performances are being arranged, and much pleasure is anticipated.

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—Miss Hammond from Boston is doing good work as a photographer, in rooms in Union block, opposite the railroad station. A good time to get portraits of friends and self at moderate prices.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Baptist church, was held Tuesday morning. Rev. Curtis P. Coe, missionary to Alaska, gave an address.

—Clifton White, 10 years old, of Langley road, was coasting on Inman avenue, Monday afternoon, when his sled collided with a tree. He was thrown from his sled and sustained a bad cut in the head.

—Theodore, the 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Dallachie, died last Monday afternoon, as a result of an attack of diphtheria. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dallachie, of his parents on Dedham and Brookline streets, Oak Hill, after an attack of diphtheria, the funeral took place Tuesday afternoon.

—Corporal Safford J. Washburn, whose home is on Langley road, but who is attached to the marine corps, has been transferred from the Charlestown Navy Yard to the navy yard at Brooklyn, N. Y. He will probably be assigned for duty on the U. S. S. Chicago.

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—The meeting of the class in literature of the Newton Centre Women's Club in Bray small hall, yesterday morning, was addressed by Nathan Haskell Dole on "Modern Russia."

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—The Rev. Mr. Hudcell, who has been living in Newton for the past six months, has removed to Maynard. He is the rector of St. George's church there.

—The Woman's association met in the Eliot church parlor, Tuesday afternoon, Miss Vella of Boston addressed the meeting on "Early Religious Training."

—Prof. H. W. Parker of Yale College, once a resident of this city, is to read a paper on Church Music before the Episcopal Club in Boston, next Monday night.

—Rev. F. D. Hoskins will preach in Grace church on Sunday morning. He was once the warden of Seabury Divinity school, Minnesota. His present home is Hartford, Conn.

—Orders left at the Business Exchange for William E. Pike, electrician and licensed gas-fitter, will be promptly attended to. Mr. Pike is the only electrician in the city holding a license.

—Miss Carrie Townsend, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Townsend, died at her home on Carleton street, Thursday of last week. She was 22 years old. The funeral was held Monday morning at the Rev. Dr. Merrill officiating. The horses ran up Washington street at a mad gallop. The driver was thrown off and injured about the head, face and body. The carriage was badly wrecked.

—Mr. Lewis E. Bailey, a brother of Miss Susan Bailey of Walnut park, died quite suddenly in Baltimore Jan. 12, aged 75 years. He had been a prominent merchant there.

—Mr. Chas. E. Eddy has been missed by his friends for several days, but he is not ill, as some have feared, but has been in a weak condition.

—Miss Barnes, a widow, has been a

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The Mysterious Message.

By OY WARMAN.

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Any one could see by the air of industry that pervaded the place that something unusual was going on. Everybody was busy. Three or four switch engines—noisy little tugs of the rail—were puffing and snorting amid the sea of cars that covered the freight yards. Down at the roundhouse the day foreman, in a newly washed suit of overclothes, hurried to and fro with crumpled copies of telegrams from the trainmaster. The boss wiper, with his gang, was clearing the circle in front of the house of dirty waste and lamps of coal. One of the men was sweeping the turntable with a new broom. Now a yard engine came by with a freshly painted mail car, and another followed it with a mile or so of empties, reminding you of a little black ant at one end of a fish-worm.

The superintendent had gone into the dispatcher's office to talk with the trainmaster about a meeting point for No. 8 and the president's special. This was the new president, who, with the chairman of the board of directors, was making his first tour of inspection.

Every one must be busy without appearing to try to be. The section boss saw that each man was at his shovel and waved a "slow" signal himself to show the officials that they had been doing something to the track. The roadmaster had gone out that morning, occupying a camp stool on the rear platform of No. 8.

All these things combined to show to the most casual observer that something was up. In the face of every officer of the road at this particular point there was a look of anxiety as though he might be repeating:

"He'll cut me off or let me stay,
Just as he happens to feel today."

The division superintendent, who had just gone into the dispatcher's office, was an exception to the rule that all subordinate officials are afraid of a new management. He knew his business and knew he could go with the retiring manager to another road. The trainmaster was of a different caste. He was as nervous as a maiden lady in her first bicycle suit. Having sent the "trick" man away, he was handling the trains himself to make sure that everything was O. K. d.

"I sent a girl over here yesterday, an operator," said the superintendent after they had fixed the meeting point, "and you sent her away. I have instructed her to call here again this morning, and I hope you will be good enough to put her to work. Her father was the engineer who was killed when the fast mail went in the ditch on the east end, and she is the only support her mother has."

The trainmaster mumbled something about the company running unnecessary risks for charity's sake when the superintendent cut him off with the information that there was no charity about it. It was just an act of simple justice and decency, and he hoped the trainmaster would not only give the girl something to do, but that he would take especial care of her and keep her out of trouble. The man at the key said he would endeavor to find a place for her, but he positively refused to be responsible for her. "Then, sir," said the superintendent, "I shall cease to be responsible for you," and there followed a scene in the midst of which a pale girl slipped into the room and sank upon a seat outside the railing unobserved by either of the angry officials.

The superintendent, after pacing the room a time or two, paused at one of the windows overlooking the yards. The president's special had for the moment been forgotten by the dispatcher, who now turned to the key to send the order for the meeting.

Still smarting from the effect of the tilt with his chief, his mind was disturbed.

The office was now as still as death, save for the clinking of the keys and the slow, measured ticking of the great clock above the dispatcher's desk—the clock that marked time for all the clocks on the entire system. Presently the dispatcher jerked the key open and began to call Westcreek, and when he got them said:

"Train No. 8, Conductor Smith, will take siding for special west Eng. 88 at Eastcreek."

Now he began calling the operator at Lookout siding, and when he answered the dispatcher shot him an order that almost burned the wire:

"Special west, engine 88, will meet train No. 8 at Westcreek."

The pale girl sprang to her feet. The dispatcher turned and saw her, and when he realized that she must have overheard the quarrel between the superintendent and himself his anger rose against the innocent young woman, and the other official, seeing their embarrassment, quit the room by a side door.

"Mr. Goodlough, you've made a great mistake," said the girl.

"Have I?" shouted the trainmaster. "And do you expect a salary for correcting me?"

"Look at your sheet. You've!"

"What?" yelled the man, "do you mean to!"

"For heaven's sake, man," pleaded the girl, "see what you've done. Look at the clock. There'll be a collision in less than ten minutes. You'll be a murderer if you fail to save those trains."

"You're about as crazy as they get," said the dispatcher, and really she looked like a mad woman, with her big eyes burning in her pale face. Of a sudden she turned, darted out of the office and ran down the stairs as an actress quits a burning hotel.

"She's a bird in a telegraph office," muttered the trainmaster, going back to his desk. "Ah, well, I'm sorry for her and glad she's gone! I presume she's lost her mind grieving after her father. But what could have put that fool notion in her head? Can it be?"—And

then he stopped short, staring at the train sheet in front of him, and one would have thought to look at him that his eyes had caught the wild light that was in the eyes of his visitor and that the malady he seemed to see in her mind had been suddenly transmitted to his. Now he glanced quickly from the sheet to the clock. "Twenty-seven," he said, and he knew by heart that No. 8 was due at Westcreek at 28, and he reached a trembling hand for the key and began calling the operator. Ten, 20, 30 seconds went by and no answer came; 40, 50, 55 seconds, and he fancied he could see the operator standing out in front of the little station with a pen behind his ear and into his shirt sleeves. For another five seconds he called, and as the minute wasted it seemed to him that his blood was boiling and his brain on fire. Then he thought of calling Eastcreek to hold the special. The operator, who happened to be at the key about to report, answered quickly, and the dispatcher asked, "Where's the special?"

"Gone," said the wire, and the trainmaster pitched forward fainting among the inkstands and instruments.

The operator at Westcreek stood in front of the little station smiling at the roadmaster on No. 8, and the operator at Eastcreek sat looking through the window at the rear end of the president's private car pecking up in the distance, and the three drivers, ignorant of the awful mistake, were now dashing at the rate of a mile a minute into the open door of death.

The superintendent, who had looked into the ghostlike face of the girl as she passed him on the stair, thought he read there of a wrong done and returned at once to the dispatcher's office, determined to have the matter out with his rebellious trainmaster. He had entered the office unobserved by the operator and stood directly behind him and heard him ask Eastcreek where the special was and heard the answer, "Gone." Of this he made nothing until the dispatcher threw out his arms and fell forward upon his desk; then the superintendent knew that something had gone wrong.

A glance at the record of the dispatcher's work showed it all. It was 9:29. The great clock told him that No. 8 had already passed Westcreek, the special had passed Eastcreek, and now there was nothing to do but wait for the collision which, in the narrow, crooked canyon, was sure to come.

Tenderly he lifted the limp dispatcher from the table and laid him upon the floor. He poured water in his hand and bathed the face of the unfortunate official, but it failed to revive him, and then he called up the hospital, and one of the surgeons came with an ambulance and carried the sick man away.

The superintendent, who was himself an operator, called Eastcreek and told him to let nothing pass that point west bound until further notice from the dispatcher's office.

He walked to the window and looked out over the coachyards and saw the pale girl pacing the platform, waiting for a train to carry her back to her home. Her heart was heavy with dread of the collision and at thought of returning to her widowed mother with the news of her failure to secure work. The superintendent tapped upon the window with a switch key, and when she looked up beckoned her to him.

"Take that seat," said the superintendent, pointing to an empty chair at the dispatcher's desk. She did as he had told her and waited tremblingly for the wire to give her something to do.

Mr. Cramer, the first trick man, who had been sent away, having heard of the sudden illness of the trainmaster, now came hurriedly into the office. The superintendent waved his hand in the direction of the desk where the girl sat. "Keep your seat," said the dispatcher as she was about to rise, and after glancing over the work turned a blanch-faced face to the superintendent.

There was a moment of silence in which the two men gazed helplessly into each other's face and listened constantly for a call from Eastcreek or Westcreek. The keys clicked merrily, and the girl, whose cheeks were now burning red, gathered in the reports from the various stations of the coming and going of many trains.

Now the operator at Eastcreek touched the key and said, "No. 8, 20 minutes late," and fresh color came to the white faces in the dispatcher's office.

When the operator at Westcreek quit the platform and re-entered the office, he heard a hurry up call for him

The trainmaster pitched forward, which came in a quick, nervous way and told him that he was wanted. He answered at once and got this in return: "Hold No. 8, lap order." The last two words assured him that compliance with this order was necessary to prevent a collision. "No. 8 is gone," he replied. "Hold her—T. J. G." came back to him in an instant. The man is crazy, thought the operator, but he would try. As he rushed from the office a light engine was just pulling out of the sidings to take water. This locomotive belonged to the crew of a work train, but the train had been left in the siding. The operator sprang into the car and shouted

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to the engineer to pull out and catch No. 8. "Lap order," he added, and that was enough. The driver, without waiting for his fireman, who was some yards behind tugging at a stiff switch in an effort to close it, pulled the throttle open and bounded away up the steep grade behind the passenger train.

Now they could see the rear end of No. 8 just whipping a corner. The roadmaster saw the approaching engine and as she came nearer guessed that she was running wild, riderless, or that her rider had lost control of her. It might be that the engineer did not see them. They were losing time. He remembered that they had been two minutes late at Westcreek. He called the rear flagman, who was "railroading" with a deadhead conductor in the smoking room of the sleeper. The flagman took in the situation at a glance. His business was to flag regardless of circumstances and vague possibilities, and before the roadmaster could stay him the fearless flagman swung himself round and dropped from the train. By the time he had regained his feet and found his flag the light engine, uttering a wild shriek, dashed by him. The engineer, to avoid running by a red flag, turned his face to the fireman's side and refused to see the danger signal. Now he was near enough to whistle the other engines "down," and the engine men pulling the passenger train shut off, and when the driver of the light engine saw a chimney of white steam shoot up from each of the forward locomotives he knew they had quit and slowed his own engine accordingly. When they had come up to the train, the operator ran to the rear of No. 8, shouted "Lap order—back up!" and hurried over to the head end. The roadmaster reached for the rope and signaled the engineers to back up.

The drivers opened their throttles and whistled and began to jam the train back.

The driver of the light engine re-

versed at once upon dropping the operator, picked up the flagman and was now backing away for Westcreek at a freight pace. His fireman, still at the switch, let him in on the siding. No. 8 dropped in after him, and just as the operator and conductor had forced the stubborn rails back to the main line the president's special crashed over the switch.

Not a soul on board the special knew how near they had been to death. Their orders read to meet No. 8 at Westcreek, and there she was, in to clear, just as the daring driver of the special engine had expected to find her.

The conductor of No. 8, with his two

engineers, the roadmaster and operator, wasted five minutes reading, checking, comparing and examining the orders they had received. They were all signed "T. J. G." by the trainmaster himself.

The thing was plain. He had given a lap order, but had discovered his mistake in time by the good fortune that had left the light engine at Westcreek to prevent an awful disaster.

He was a good fellow, and they were all glad he had saved himself, although the incident might work to his embarrassment when he came up for promotion. Incidentally they were glad that they were alive.

To appreciate the mysterious part of the tale the reader should understand the value of time—not of hours and minutes, but of seconds—in handling trains on a single track railroad. It will be remembered that Goodlough discovered his mistake at 9:27. No. 8 was due to pass Westcreek at 9:28, and at 9:29 the superintendent had seen the trainmaster collapse. It will be remembered also that No. 8 was two minutes late, but the man who had sent the lap order did not know it, and his nerve would not last until he could find it out. The order to hold No. 8—the order which prevented the collision and doubtless saved many lives—was sent at 9:31. It was signed with the initials of the trainmaster, but at a time when that gentleman was dead to the world and had been so for two whole minutes.

No man was in a better position to know these facts than the superintendent, who was the only man in the dispatcher's office at the moment when the "mysterious message" flashed over the wire and whose business it was to investigate the whole matter.

As the investigation proceeded the superintendent became intensely interested in the mystery. For awhile he kept the matter to himself, but these things will out, and in less than a month's time the "mysterious message" became the leading topic in shops, cabs, way cars and boarding houses. To say that the clocks were at variance would not satisfy a railroad man, for they had taken time at 9:28 a.m., only a half hour before the message went out.

In time the story of the "mysterious message" came to the ears of the president at Boston, and as his life had been saved by the sending of this wire, which amounted to almost a miracle, he set himself at once to the task of solving the mystery. He belonged to a certain society whose members delight to delve in things occult, and they were not long in accounting for all that had occurred. It fell out later that the treasurer's clerk was also a member of the Boston society to which the president belonged.

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SHALL THE CITY OWN OR BE OWNED?

Mayor Jones of Toledo, Ohio, has been in Boston giving addresses upon his ideas of municipal management. He spoke before the Massachusetts Mayors' Club at their annual dinner, and gave them some pretty good advice. Mayor Quincy of Boston has been called a good deal of a socialist, but his specialty lays more in the direction of spending money for the entertainment of the people than to securing revenue from those anxious to secure franchises. Mayor Quincy touches more upon the surface of things, after the old Roman fashion of providing amusements for the people to prevent their dwelling too much upon the burdens of taxation.

Mayor Jones, on the other hand, goes to the root of the whole matter, and believes that instead of, as now, giving away municipal franchises to capitalists who wish to make money out of them, the franchises should be regarded as a source of revenue. The West End, for instance, had the gift of franchises worth millions, on which they expect the public to pay large dividends, and the city of Boston has lost just so much.

Mayor Jones' whole address was so pointed and full of good advice that a summary of it is worth quoting. He was unalterably opposed to any grant of municipal franchises, and held that it was contrary to republican institutions. He said that free gifts of franchises worth millions are not as common as they once were; the people are coming to realize that the source of their wealth is through labor-hard, sweating labor—and with this realization comes a revelation of the truth that those who do not labor do not produce wealth, all the fine-spun theories about brain work and capital notwithstanding. They are beginning to see that so adroitly have the captains of industry managed for themselves that today the toilers who produce all the wealth are not only deprived of any fair share in it, but many are denied even a place to stand on the earth. All over this broad land of unparalleled richness—men-industrious, honest, earnest men, willing workers—are compelled to tramp in enforced idleness and vainly beg, not for a share in the wealth their hands have produced, but for the poor privilege to work that they may still further add to the wealth of others that they may not enjoy, and incidentally that they and their little ones may eat bread and not die.

The question that is rapidly forging to the front today in this country is, "Shall the municipality own or be owned?" Shall the general government own the telegraph and railroads, or shall these corporations own the general government? The danger that confronts us and threatens the perpetuity of our institutions is not from the classes commonly known as law breakers and criminals, but is found in the lawlessness of capital and anarchy of the corporations, and the question to which the American people will before long give an emphatic affirmative answer is this: "Can capital be made subject to law?"

The greatest good to be realized through municipal ownership will be found in the improved quality of our citizenship. Not, however, because it is popularly proclaimed, a man's value to the state is measured by his property possessions, but because of the family feeling, the truly patriotic sentiment, the love of country, which is love of our fellow men, that will be awakened in the man's breast by the contemplation of the fact that it is a member of a family who own their own streets, who own their own bridges, who own their own water works, who own their own telephones and express and messenger service; a member of a family who owns and does everything for the family that can, by any possibility, be better done by collective than by private effort.

And whenever the feeling is once awakened that this is our city, this is our country, then a man becomes in the best sense of the word a citizen who loves his country. This feeling will be wonderfully enhanced as the city goes forward in the work of municipal ownership. The people will learn that they can serve themselves better without profit than any private corporation can serve them with profit as the only incentive for their effort.

There is said to be very insecure feeling about City Hall, owing to the sharpness of Mayor Wilson's axe, and some of the officials who worked so zealously for his election are now wondering if they would not really have fared better under Mr. Inman. Of course it is hard for city employees to lose their places, and it takes a man with a good deal of resolution to deal with our overgrown salary list, and the army of employees that had grown up in most of the departments. But the good of the city is the chief consideration, and pub-

lic sentiment will approve the pruning down of the salary list. Some offices had so many assistants that people have wondered whether there could be anything for the head of the department to do, save to find work for his assistants.

The steamship owners and other capitalists who see a chance in the expansion craze to push a scheme for a government bounty to help their private business have started a literary bureau, which sends out a sheet of alluring extracts for free insertion in the papers. So far we have seen none of this free advertising in any of the weekly papers, though some of the "leading" dailies are making a liberal use of them, probably for a consideration. It is a promising scheme to secure money from the government, and appropriately enough Senator Hanna is at the head of it. Meanwhile the congressmen should not forget that, whoever gets the subsidy, the people have to pay the taxes.

THE Massachusetts club listened to some strange doctrines for this latitude from William R. Castle of Honolulu, at its dinner last Saturday: "Contract labor is a success," "The property qualification for voters works well," "Hawaii is a white man's country," and so on. Mr. Castle also landed President McKinley as though he expected an appointment to high office right away. There are evidently many curious things about our new colony which would not be tolerated in this country at present, although under our new imperialistic policy anything may be possible in the future.

A NUMBER of changes have been made in the board of overseers of the poor, and there is considerable speculation over the reasons that influenced Mayor Wilson. From Ward 1, Reuben Forknall takes the place of Thomas C. Parks; from Ward 2, John B. Turner succeeds John F. Payne; from Ward 4, George E. Johnson succeeds P. H. McVickar; while the representatives of the other wards are reappointed. These are: Ward 3, J. H. Nickerson; Ward 5, Eugene Fanning; Ward 6, E. M. Fowle; and Ward 7, Henry C. Daniels.

It is now predicted that the peace treaty will not be ratified at this session of Congress, owing to the growth of anti-imperialism sentiment among the senators. The extreme imperialistic newspaper organs are also losing their temper, and calling upon President McKinley not to be a coward and a wobbler, and not to stick to some one definite line of policy, all of which is favorable to those who still believe in the Constitution, the Declaration of Independence and Washington and Lincoln, and such old fashioned men and things.

THE Republican Ward and City Committee will be congratulated on its new board of officers. With Col. D. W. Farquhar as president, the mistakes of the past year will not be repeated, and no needless antagonisms will be aroused. Evidently the committee decided that heroic measures were needed to bring about a better state of things, and so pressure was brought to bear upon Col. Farquhar to induce him to accept the position, and reform and reorganize political methods in Newton.

THE Somerville city council has adopted an order closing meetings at 11 o'clock, and it would be a good idea for the Newton aldermen to follow this example. The reason Somerville adopted the order was because midnight lunches cost so much; but think of the high fare such an order would save in Newton. Mayor Wilson should look into this method of saving the city's money.

THE Boston Boot and Shoe men held their annual dinner Wednesday evening, and Newton men are, as usual, largely represented in the list of officers, Messrs. Chas. A. Haskell, Charles W. Hall, C. H. Buswell, J. R. Lessow, E. D. Van Tassel, and others being on the list of directors. The club seems to be solid against expansion, judging from the addresses made.

WHY the railroads should receive ten times as much for mail matter as for express matter, is one of the peculiarities of our government, but this is the reason why the postal department shows such large annual deficit. However, with so many railroad men in Congress, it is doubtful if this overpayment can be remedied.

IT is now announced by the president's near friends that he has no idea of anything save a temporary protectorate in the Philippines. But in order to make sure that he will not change his mind again, why does he oppose having the treaty amended to that effect?

IT is said to be Mayor Wilson's intention to save some \$20,000 in salaries and city hall expenses this year. This is encouraging, even though the saving may fall hard on those whose salaries are affected.

A NEW method of spending money is brought forward in the proposed widening of the Weston bridge, which makes at present a very inglorious end to the boulevard.

NOW that Senator Lodge has really been elected, his unusual silence on imperialism and other disputed points at issue will probably be broken.

IT is rather curious that the Newton men in the city engineer's office have been discharged, while Cambridge and Waltham men are retained.

REPUBLICAN WARD AND CITY COMMITTEE MEETING.

The republican ward and city committee met Wednesday evening in Grand Army Hall, Newtonville, to organize for the ensuing year. Quite unexpectedly the members of the new committee were treated to a lively contest between rival candidates for the presidency of the organization. A strong faction, favoring the election of Col. D. W. Farquhar of Ward 7, came into the meeting with a strong organization. In opposition to them was Adams P. Claffin of Ward 6, who was presented. Mr. Claffin's friends were not prepared for a contest but received remarkably strong support under the circumstances. It required 12 ballots to decide the election in favor of Col. Farquhar. The organization was composed by the election of C. E. Hatfield as secretary, and A. F. Alvord as treasurer. The reports submitted showed the finances of the committee to be in an exceptionally satisfactory condition.

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THE LEGISLATURE.

MANY BRIDGE CONTROVERSY TO COME UP AND OTHER COUNTY MATTERS—THE TROUBLESOME MOTHS—ELECTION OF SENATOR LODGE—THE TRUANT SCHOOL AT CHELMSFORD—DELAY IN GETTING DOWN TO SERIOUS WORK.

(Special Legislative Correspondence.)

Beacon Hill, Jan. 18.

The work of starting the legislative mill grinding goes laboriously on. Chairman Chamberlain of Mr. Chadwick's committee on cities, says that he shall advertise hearings just as soon as there are enough matters to be considered to make it worth while, and other committees are in the same position. Speaker Bates thinks one reason for the delay in getting the committees started is the fact that the departments are so moderate in getting out their annual reports, yet these same departments as a rule are as exacting as one has any right to expect. Many of them close up the business upon which they report early in October. I think the railroad commission closes up Sept. 1, and still it is the work of months to get the material tabulated so as to get reports in before Feb. 1. However, if there was a law that all reports should be submitted the first week in January, it would greatly assist in starting the machinery the first few weeks, for petitioners and inventors of bills do not really get excited enough to give the committees enough to do before the last week in the month.

Mr. Langford of Newton has the distinction of being the only man from the metropolitan district on the committee on water supply. The fact that there were no Boston men on the committee, has been adversely commented upon in some directions, but Speaker Bates had a very good reason for not placing them there. The questions concerning the metropolitan water supply are always considered by the committees on water supply and metropolitan affairs sitting jointly. There are five Boston men on metropolitan affairs, and of course every member is from the district, and an no man from outside can in the nature of the case get upon metropolitan affairs, the speaker felt it was only fair that the water supply committee should be made up of men from outside. So that it was evidently only Mr. Langford's peculiar fitness that got him on.

The selectmen of the town of Weston have filed their petition for an act to empower the county commissioners of Middlesex county to lay out a highway from Riversdale road to the Chelmsford line. The petition was referred to the committee on counties, but it is thought that it may not be necessary for the committee to act. I presume that there is nothing I can say to enlighten the readers of the GRAPHIC in regard to this petition, but so far as I can understand a committee is in progress which will render it unnecessary for the committee to give a report.

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—Try pinch Rapid Cold Cure, Partridge's. —Mrs. J. W. Dickinson of Grove Hill is quite ill. —Mr. Richard Gould is recovering from an attack of pneumonia. —Mr. Harry Savage is recovering from a severe attack of the grip. —Mr. W. F. Lunt of Cabot street is in Florida for a few weeks' absence. —Rev. J. M. Dutton returned Monday after a two weeks' stay at Nashua, N. H. —A social meeting will be held this evening in the parlors of the Congregational church. —Mr. E. Williams of Washington park is reported as convalescing after a severe attack of grip. —Mr. James Burns has recovered from the grip sufficiently to resume his duties at the high school.

—Mrs. E. S. Sands leaves this week for Florida, where she will pass the remainder of the cold season.

—Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Brown and Mrs. Tiffit are spending a week at the Waldorf-Astoria, New York.

—The Young Ladies' Missionary Club met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. M. Chase.

—Miss Mary Hackett of Walnut street has returned from Westboro, where she enjoyed several weeks.

—The Lend-a-Hand Society met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. F. Small, Austin street.

—Rev. Lawrence Phelps occupied the pulpit at the Central Congregational church, Sunday morning.

—Rev. E. A. Bartlett of Hyde Park is ill at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bartlett of Madison avenue.

—Mr. Hutchinson, who has been ill in Newtonville for some time, returned to his home in New Hampshire, Monday.

—The Lend-a-Hand Society will hold a charity whist, Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. P. Burnham, California street.

—Rapid Cold Cure prevents grip, Paynes'.

—Messrs. Harry N. Hyde and Leo P. Dutch will give the second dance in their course of assemblies, in Dennison hall, this evening.

—At the annual meeting of the Massachusetts club, held last Saturday afternoon in Young's hotel, Boston, Hon. William Clafin was re-elected president.

—Newton Royal Arch Chapter held a meeting, Tuesday evening. The mark degree was worked. A collation was served at the close of the business session.

—A meeting of the King's Daughters' Society was held Monday evening in the parlors of the Central Congregational church. Only routine business was transacted.

—Mr. John Q. Bird of Otis street, recently became connected with the Boston Wall Paper house of 114 Pearl street. He exhibited a map of Virginia, which was presented to him by his teacher in 1826.

—The recently elected officers of Gen. Hull Lodge, A. O. U. W., will be publicly installed in Dennison hall, next Friday evening. The installation ceremony will be performed by District Deputy Grand Master Workman W. A. Clark and suite.

—Dahousie Lodge will hold a special meeting next Wednesday evening. The members of the Past Masters' Association of this Masonic district will be the guests of the evening.

—There are letters remaining in the post office for George Chamberlain, H. Kneeland, D. H. Taylor, Wm. T. Wheeler, Minot place, Mrs. Eliz. A. Alden, Miss Mary Fleming, Mrs. T. V. Hall, 124 Austin street, Mrs. Lynch Washington.

—The regular meeting of the Newtonville Baptist division was held at the residence of Mrs. L. H. Mathews, Newell avenue, Wednesday afternoon. The next meeting will be at Mrs. G. P. Clark's, 66 Prescott street, Wednesday, Jan. 25, at 2 p. m.

—Methodist Episcopal church, Sunday evening at 7.30, the pastor, Rev. Franklin Hamilton, will preach a special sermon to men. All young men especially are invited. All seats are free. Morning worship at 10.30. All strangers especially are cordially invited.

—Chief of Police Fred A. Tarbox will lecture on "Duties of the Police" next Wednesday evening, Jan. 25, at Y. M. C. A. hall, Newton. The chief is well known as an official of considerable ability and experience, and as a speaker he will be listened to with great interest.

—The executive board of the Newton Federation of Women's Clubs met Monday morning in the parlors of the New church, Highland avenue. The subject for discussion was "The Laundry Experiment." It was voted to enlarge the household economics committee and to refer the question to them for consideration. They will report at the next meeting.

—The Ladies' Missionary Society held a meeting Thursday afternoon in the vestry of the Methodist church. Mrs. A. M. Mathews at the piano station, gave an interesting account of her experiences during her recent trip. Mrs. Lightfoot told of her work in the W. C. T. U. flower mission to an interested audience. At the close of the business session an informal reception was held. Tea was served at six.

—Mr. N. W. Tupper met with a painful accident Monday, at his store on Walnut street. He was alone in the office and feeling somewhat faint, opened the door leading to the grain room. He lost consciousness and fell, striking his head on the iron scales. A severe gash was the result. Mr. Tupper remained in an unconscious condition until found by a friend. A physician was called and he was taken to his home.

—Rev. Charles Summer Nickerson has tendered his resignation as pastor of the First Congregational church. He gives the reason for his resignation, but expresses the desire that it be at once accepted. A meeting of the church will be held next Monday evening to consider the matter. Mr. Nickerson's action is a surprise to his congregation and has been received with very general regret. He has filled the pulpit acceptably for the past three years.

—The Rev. Mr. Garland of Manchester, N. H., will preach at St. John's Episcopal church, Temple hall, Sunday at 10.45 and 4 p. m. At the 4 o'clock service the choir will sing the following selections, Miss Kittie Atwood singing the contralto solo in the offertory:

—The first meeting of the Christian Citizenship Study Club was held in the Universal church parlors on Wednesday, Jan. 18, at 7.30 o'clock. The subject of the evening was a talk in discussing "Current Events." After a vocal solo by Mr. Arthur H. Morse of Tufts College, the principal portion of the evening was read by Mr. L. H. Parker on "Nineteen Christian Centuries," tracing the social progress of mankind since the birth of Christ, and indicating some of the dangers that threaten us today. The next meeting of the club will be on Wednesday, Feb. 1, and will be open to all persons interested. Topic, the

"Forms of Civil Government: City, State, and National."

—Rapid Cold Cure clears head instantly.

—Mr. F. P. Dow is ill with rheumatic affection.

—Mr. Harry Savage is reported as ill with grip at his home on Brooks avenue.

—Mr. Allen of Watertown street is recovering from an attack of the grip.

—Mr. H. W. Orr of Newtonville avenue is enjoying a short stay in New York.

—Mr. John Turner was recently appointed as overseer of the poor for this ward.

—Mr. and Mrs. Richard G. Elkins of Highland street are entertaining friends from New York.

—"What makes Life worth Living?" was the subject at the vesper service at the Congregational church Sunday evening.

—Mr. Nathaniel Allen entertained a number of his scholars and their friends at his home on Webster street Wednesday evening.

—Mr. and Mrs. Corninz, who were visiting Mrs. Olin Ellis on Waltham street, returned to their home in New Hampshire Monday.

—The next regular meeting of the Home Circle will be held at the Unitarian church parlors on Wednesday, the 25th, at 2 p. m. Business at 2.30.

—The Lafayette Associates held their second grand social and dance in Odd Fellows hall Wednesday evening. There were about 300 present.

—The Woman's Auxiliary to the Newton Veteran Firemen's association held a business meeting Monday evening at the engine house, Watertown street.

—Mr. Swift, one of the inspectors of the postoffice department, has recently moved to 38 Otis street.

—Mrs. F. H. Hunting, who has been very ill at her home on Washington street, is reported as convalescing.

—The History Club met Tuesday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert M. Chase on Bowers street.

—Mr. H. A. Patterson, who is in New Hampshire for the winter, enjoyed a few days at his home this week.

—Mr. H. W. Calder is afflicted in the sudden decease of his father, who for some time past has been a resident of St. Johnsbury, Vt.

—Dr. D. D. Harrington has removed his office from Boston to his residence, 39 Newtonville avenue, where he will be glad to see his patients.

—Miss Mildred Allen will give another public demonstration of the Fletcher music kindergarten at the Masonic building, on Wednesday, Jan. 25th, at 3 p. m.

—Mr. Hardig of Boston has purchased the house recently built by Mr. M. St. Claire Williams on California street. He will use it for his occupancy in the near future.

—Mr. Frank E. Morse, teacher of voice culture and singing at the Hale Studio, will give a talk at the studio on Wednesday next at 4.30, on vocal hygiene. The public are invited.

—A conference of young people from the churches of Newton will be held in the lecture room of the Universal church, Monday evening, Jan. 30th. It will be under the auspices of the Y. P. C. U.

—Mr. Charles Jordan of Walnut street attended the reunion of the pupils of the Franklin school at the United States hotel, Wednesday evening. Mr. Jordan was the eldest pupil present, he having recently celebrated his eighty-fifth birthday. He exhibited a map of Virginia, which was presented to him by his teacher in 1826.

—One of the leading attractions for the coming month will be the "Mikado." A children's matinee will be given in Temple hall Saturday afternoon, Feb. 11th, and over performances will be given on Monday and Tuesday evenings, Feb. 13th and 14th. The play will be given under the direction of Mrs. Phillip W. Carter for the benefit of the Newton Federation of Women's Clubs. It promises to be a greater success than was "Iolanthe," which was given a year ago.

—Mrs. Walter Chaloner addressed the Medfield Women's Club on Friday afternoon, giving an illustrated talk on "Artists Ramble in Bohemia," taking her audience to Plymouth's historic woods for the joys of camp life, to the Maine coast and to the great New Hampshire hills and lakes, into the wild, free life, nature in varied modes. Mrs. J. A. S. Monk, wife of the celebrated sheet painter, had an interesting report, and Dr. Abbott sang the "New Kingdon."

—Rev. Thomas Van Ness addressed the Newtonville Woman's Guild on Tuesday in the New church parlors, his topic being, "Heroes and Heroism." A brilliant discourse was given, which held the deep interest of his large audience to the close. Mrs. H. H. Carter presided. Mrs. M. E. Martin gave a brief bright report, and Mrs. Richardson referred with cordial interest the artistic and presentation of the "Mikado" on Feb. 11th. A subscription party on Jan. 31st, will be the next affair at the Guild program.

—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Talbot celebrated the 25th anniversary of their wedding last Saturday evening with an informal reception. The party was well attended. Friends and relatives from many of the surrounding cities came to offer their congratulations. The wedding presents were numerous and handsome.

—Newton Lodge, L. O. O. F., gave a successful dance Wednesday evening in Odd Fellows hall. A large party was present. The hall was tastefully decorated, and the pretty dresses and bright faces made an attractive scene to the onlookers. Refreshments were served in the banquet hall.

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—The annual meeting of the Baptist church was held Wednesday evening. Supper was served at 6.30, followed by a short social time. The business meeting was called to order at 8 p. m., when the various reports were submitted. Prayer was offered by Mr. T. C. Cutting. The following officers were then elected: Moderator, Deacon N. C. Pike; clerk, Alfred L. Barbour; treasurer, Mary E. Putnam; auditors, George P. Clark, Elliott W. Keyes; executive committee, W. H. Leatherbee, Samuel N. Waters, E. O. Burdon, Herbert A. Clark, Alfred L. Barbour, Wm. A. Stiles; deacons, Deacon N. C. Pike, Deacon Wm. H. Rand, Ernest B. Huston, Deacon H. A. Inman, Fred A. Inman, Mrs. M. L. Bacon, Mrs. E. P. Burtt, Mrs. H. A. Inman, Mrs. A. P. Burdon, Mrs. Ellen M. Leland, Miss A. L. Seccomb. Numerous letters were read from absent members, including two from soldiers in the army. C. S. Pease, A. Inman, in behalf of the society, presented Mr. E. O. Burdon with a handsome mahogany Morris chair, as a token of the appreciation felt for his services as organist and musical director. Mr. Burdon, although taken by surprise, responded in his usual graceful manner and proceeded to fill the chair. It was voted to send letters of sympathy to the members of the society who were prevented by illness from attending.

—WABAN.

—The King's Daughters met this afternoon with Miss Florence Wood.

—The noon service in King's chapel, Wednesday, was conducted by Rev. Julian C. Jaynes.

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—The Boys' Club met last Saturday, and adjourned to the Brookline swimming tank where they had a thoroughly good time.

—Mr. A. Davidson and brother, B. H., attended the funeral of their sister in Albany this week. Mrs. A. Davidson accompanied them.

—Mr. T. W. Webster left for Canada Wednesday, and will be gone until late in February. Mrs. Webster and children have recovered their good health after quite a severe illness.

—A class for the study of the French language was formed this week with one of the professors of Lasell as teacher. Any one desirous of joining can communicate with Mr. Charles Crawford, Windsor road.

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"Whose initials shall I put to this order?" asked the girl, sending her first message on the morning of the second day.

"Your own," said Mr. Creamer, and the receiving operator at Livingston wondered who the new dispatcher could be. Every night, after midnight, the operators along the line would ground wire, cutting off the officials, and dismiss the new dispatcher.

Not a few of them felt that they were entitled to promotion and were in favor of sending a grievance committee in at once. "Who is the new guy?" asked the operator at Lookout one afternoon when he supposed the second trick man was at the other end of the line.

"Go ahead, guy," said Miss Morgan, for she had not yet been relieved.

"Working the first trick?" said the operator, finishing his query and making it plain. There was a dash of Irish in Minnie Morgan, and she answered without hesitation, "Miles Mulcahy."

"Solid with the new push?"

"Sure!" was the girl's answer, and then she shut him off.

It was not long, however, until the trainmen carried the news out over the road that Miles Mulcahy was a woman, but not until the new dispatcher had gained something of a reputation as an expert handler of trains.

Some of the swift senders began to try to rush her, but it didn't go. The great clock continued to measure off the days, trains arrived and departed on time, the mysterious message was still a mystery, and the girl staid at her post. The superintendent was quietly proud of his protege, and Mr. Creamer was enthusiastic. She knew the road, he had declared to his chief, as the red man knows the forest and the time card as Father Maloney knew the catechism. "She's just a bird, that's all," he observed to the smiling superintendent, "a regular crackerjack, and you can't tie her."

The January sun, swinging far and low in the south, sent a stingy ray alastr the window and touched the covers on the sick man's couch. He rubbed his eyes, looked about and whispered, "Where am I?" but he was not acting. The bare white walls, the iron bedstead, the little table and the one wooden chair told him that he was in the hospital.

The superintendent, whose "long suit," as the roadmaster expressed it, was "boss sense," had maintained all along that the transmission of the mysterious message was still a mystery. Those occult scientists might sit up nights and work out answers satisfactory to themselves, declared the superintendent, but they would never go at his end of the line. "There must be another solution of this mysterious message," he declared to the president, "and I shall find it before the end of the year."

At the expiration of 40 days the medical staff declared Goodlough sound in body and mind, and the old trainmaster called upon the superintendent for his decision. He had begun as a messenger boy in the trainmaster's office on an eastern road when he could barely reach the top of the high desk. He had been with this company so long that he felt a proprietary interest in the road. He would be glad to return to his old post, but men were usually dismissed for giving a lap order.

"It will not be necessary for us to review this matter," began the superintendent when Mr. Goodlough had seated himself in the private office of his old chief. "Under ordinary circumstances I should feel it my duty to discharge you, but in consideration of your excellent record and other extenuating circumstances, the confusing nature of the numbers of the locomotives and trains and the names of stations, I have concluded that I shall serve the company best by allowing you to return to your former place. In doing this I wish you to understand that the matter of personal friendship, which has grown strong in the years that we have spent together, makes no difference in my decision. The 60 days which I must now give you are meant more as a punishment for your refusal to listen to a well meant warning which might have saved you than for your carelessness in giving a wrong order. It is more your misfortune than your fault, however, that you have lost these 40 days; therefore your suspension will date from Dec. 20."

Goodlough thanked the superintendent warmly for his consideration and went out to begin the hard task of waiting 20 days, for to him every day spent away from his work was wasted.

The old trainmaster spent the greater part of his 20 days where he could hear the rattle of the instruments and the slow, measured ticking of the great clock. He was interested in and then amazed at the work of the young woman who was now handling the trains on the first trick. At first he felt half angry with her for being able to do what he had once made a mess of, but she was so sweetly modest and so utterly unconscious of herself and so faithful to her work that he soon found himself wishing she were a man. He said so to Creamer once, and she heard him. Long before his time was up he had begun to wonder where he could put her, for he had no thought of letting her go. But she was a lucky soul, and it seemed that the same power that sent the ravens to Elijah looked after her.

Just about the time Goodlough was to resume his office a connecting road wanted a trainmaster, and the place was offered to Mr. Creamer. He accepted it of course. Mr. Goodlough was ordered to report for duty, and having no one he considered competent at hand he allowed Miss Morgan to remain where he had found her. It was understood by all that this arrangement was only temporary, but Goodlough soon learned that he would lose an able assistant when he parted with Miss Morgan and so was a good while in making a change which all precedent made necessary. The second trick man was entitled to the first, the third man was in line for the second, and if he kept Miss Morgan she must do the "death trick."

The superintendent was happy. He had promised to have an answer for the president by the end of the year, and this was the last week but one. Miss Morgan's story was all the more timely because the president would arrive on the morrow, and the superintendent was anxious to convince him that the average occult expert, who makes a specialty of "seeing things nights," knew about as much of the future or of things unknown as the codfish out in the Atlantic.

She was still silent. The morning broke clear and beautiful, and the crisp air was full of the sounds of clanging bells and the screams of switch engines. Express wagons came down laden with boxes and packages—bundles of sunshine—that would find their way to hundreds of homes and gladden the hearts of thousands of people. Everybody was busy, for the president of the road was to arrive today. When Goodlough left his private office and wandered into the big room where the dispatchers worked, he heard Miss Morgan calling Westcreek and when Westcreek answered her he said:

"Train No. 8, Conductor Smith, will take siding for special west, engine 88, at Eastcreek."

"About what, Tom?"

"About the collision. How many were killed?"

Dan assured him that there had been

no

collision on the road for over a year.

"And you," he explained, "have just been here a month today. This is the 20th of January."

"Don't lie to me, Dan. Anybody

could do that. But from you I ask the truth, and I think I have a right to expect it. I sent a lap order the day I fell ill. I became confused over the repetition of No. 8 and engine 88, Eastcreek and Westcreek, and I gave a lap order. A girl in the office tried to save me, but I laughed at her. I thought her crazy, and when at last I noticed my mistake I tried to call Westcreek to hold No. 8, but could not get him. I called and called up to the last second, but he did not answer, and it seemed to me that I must go mad. Suddenly it occurred to me that I might get Eastcreek and hold the train, but the answer came quick and awful, 'Gone,' and then I knew no more until I smelled the smell of those fresh roses you sent me and came to life again."

"It's just this way," said the second trick man. "If you are setting Miss Morgan back because she is incompetent to handle the heavy business on the first trick, we have nothing to say, but if the change is made because she is a woman or as a matter of justice to us we most respectfully decline a promotion that will work a hardship to this most deserving girl."

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The two men were notified by letter of their promotion, and then the trainmaster braced himself to tell the young lady that she would be transferred to the company's telegraph office unless she chose to take the third trick, which he felt ashamed to ask her to do. It was only right and fair, she said, and she would be glad to take the third trick. All she wanted was an equal show with the men and no favors. If he could overlook her sex and forgive her for having

been born a woman, she would be content to take whatever he had to offer her. "Ye gods," said the trainmaster to himself, "she makes me ashamed! She's as brave as she is gentle and as brilliant as she is beautiful."

When the two dispatchers who had received notice of their promotion came into the trainmaster's office, they did not appear overjoyed. The man who had thus honored them saw that something was wrong and inquired the cause of it.

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"Special west, engine 88, will meet train No. 8 at Eastcreek."

"Bravo!" cried the trainmaster.

"That's exactly what I was trying to do a year ago, only I said 'Westcreek' at the last. How's everything?"

"On time," said Miss Morgan, still working the key.

After glancing about for a few minutes Goodlough returned to his office and sent out a bulletin promoting the operator at Westcreek to be train dispatcher on the third trick. The same order put the two old dispatchers back in the presidency of the road.

He had barely finished this pleasant task when the superintendent came in with the president, whom Goodlough had never met. When they were all seated, the superintendent asked the trainmaster to relate what he knew about the so called "mysterious message."

"I know absolutely nothing," declared Goodlough earnestly, for the subject was naturally embarrassing to him.

"You told Mr. Creamer, I believe, that you were positive that you did not send the order to Westcreek to hold No. 8, although your initials went with it," said the superintendent, with an air of a lawyer cross examining a witness.

"I did."

"And you do not know who sent the message?"

"I do not."

"Well, I do," said the superintendent, with a broad smile, "and I'll let you gentlemen into the secret. When Miss Morgan saw or rather heard your mistake, she endeavored to convince you that you were in danger, but failed. Despairing, she left the building. She was almost wild with grief and alarm. I saw her face as she hurried down the stairs, and it was the face of a mad woman. I read it wrong and returned at once to you to learn the cause of her distress. I heard you call Eastcreek and ask for the special—your last message that day—and heard the answer 'Gone,' and saw you fall. But the frail woman whom you had turned away did not fall. While you fell fainting among the inkstands and instruments she rushed into the hotel over the way, and, finding no one in the Western Union office, took the key and began calling Westcreek. She could not see the clock as you did, and she called and called, and when at last the operator answered she told him to hold No. 8. 'No. 8 is gone,' said the operator. 'Hold her,' said the wire back at him, and fearing the operator might question the message she sent your initials at the end of the order."

"'Erave girl!' cried the president, rising and beginning to pace the floor, for he was deeply affected by the story of how a young woman who but a day before had been refused employment by the company had contrived to save the company's property and the lives of men whom she had not known. "She shall have the company's check for \$1,000," the president added. "You will furnish her with transportation," he continued, addressing the superintendent, "and have her report to me at the Boston office the first of the year."

"Miss Morgan reports to the trainmaster," said the superintendent, smiling and waving a hand toward Goodlough, who sat pale and silent like a man who had just received a hard fall.

"Miss Morgan will not be in the company's employ after today," he said, looking steadily at the president.

"Has she been dismissed?"

"She has been promoted and is to take her new place on New Year's day."

"May I ask what office she is to take?" inquired the president, glancing from the trainmaster to the superintendent, who was still smiling.

"She is to be Mrs. Goodlough," said the trainmaster, with a stern, calm face.

"Accept my congratulations," said the president, holding out his hand.

"This is the second time, then, she has saved your life," he continued as Goodlough took his hand, "and I hope you will allow her to accept my personal check for another thousand, for she saved mine as well as the president's special."

Goodlough was greatly affected by the news of Miss Morgan's heroism and the conduct of the president and superintendent of the road. He kept clear of the dispatcher's office that day, for he dared not trust himself in her presence.

That evening when Minnie's mother had returned to her room and the lovers were left alone together in the little lamp lit parlor they looked at each other in silence for a moment.

"What distresses you?" asked Miss Morgan.

"And you?" inquired the trainmaster.

"Order No. 76," was the reply.

"I've lost my place."

"And found friend, a lover—aye, a husband and happiness, I hope."

"And what have you found?"

"The sender of the mysterious message," said Goodlough, advancing to where his sweetheart sat.

"Did he tell you?"

"Yes. How shall I repay you for all that you have done for me?"

"By pardoning me for forging your name to the message and becoming cheerful and shortening your office hours, and—well, if anything more occurs to me I'll tell you later."

"Then you did send the message?"

"Yes."

"And how about the flowers that came to the hospital every day—the red roses whose breath called me back to life?"

"Yes," she said, and the little hand stole into his and nestled there.

And then they talked on for just a little while. She forgot that she was out of employment, and he forgot the lap order of a year ago. The lamp burned low. He lighted a match to look at his watch, and it was neither yesterday nor tomorrow, but just between, and then, as all telegraphers do at the end of the day, she gave him "Good night," and he went away.

THE END.

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Gathering the detailed plots of 123 celebrated operas, with critical and biographical remarks.

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Cantu, William. W. V.'s Golden Legend.

Christian legends of ancient and medieval times, which are supposed to have been told to W. V., the writer's little daughter.

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Hawes, Hugh Reginald. Old Vio-

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Short stories of life in literary London and in the Australian bush.

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These papers were first published in The Bookman.

Kearton, R. Wild Life at Home; how to Study and Photograph it.

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Miss Reppplier endeavors to summarize the principal events in the life of a great city for two centuries, dealing with its history and its social history.

Ross, Clinton. Heroes of our War with Spain; their Exploits told for a Boy.

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Wallace, Susan Arnold. Elston: Along the Bosphorus, and other Sketches.

Sixteen descriptive sketches by Mrs. Lew Wallace, formerly published in periodicals.

Woods, Robert A., ed. The City Wilderness: a Settlement Study; by Residents and Associates of the South End House, Boston.

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AUBURNDALE.

—Rapid Cold Cure clears head instantly.

—Mr. George Keyes of Camden road is ill this week.

—Work was resumed on the Taylor block Wednesday.

—Frank Cunningham has taken a position in Weston.

—Mrs. George Brown of Walcott street has returned from a visit in Hubbardston, Mass.

—Mr. Traisey of Charles street has recovered from his severe attack of pneumonia.

—Mrs. Mack of Brookline is visiting Mrs. Mary C. Tucker at her residence on Winona street.

—Mr. Dell Knight of Newell road has been ill at his home suffering from an attack of grippe.

—Reserve Patrolman Bates has taken a half of the Harris house, corner of Melrose and Auburn streets.

—Mr. H. W. Dwight and family have removed from Central street to their residence in Boston.

—The Review club will meet with Mrs. Francis N. Peloubet, Woodland road, on Tuesday, Jan. 24, at 3 p.m.

—District Deputy Hinckley and suite insisted the officers of Rivardale Lodge, N. E. O. P. in McVicker's hall, Monday evening.

—The Home Circle Whist Club was entertained Wednesday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. C. A. Miner of Lexington street.

—Mr. Bourne of South Acton has sold his house on Newell road, known as the Tarbox estate. It is soon to be occupied by its new owner.

—A meeting of the officers and teachers of the Sunday school of the Congregational church was held last evening at the residence of Dr. E. E. Strong.

—Miss Mildred Milham gave a delightful birthday party to a number of her classmates at the close of the morning session of the Ash street kindergarten yesterday.

—Orders left at W. F. Hadlock's news store for Wm. E. Pike, electrician and licensed gas-fitter, will be promptly attended to. Mr. Pike is the only electrician holding a license.

—Rev. Dr. Gallagher addressed a large company of ladies at the meeting of the W. C. T. U. of the Congregational church yesterday afternoon on "The Importance of Local Temperance Work."

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rience, and as a speaker he will be listened to with great interest.

—Miss Elizabeth M. Strong has left on a trip to California.

—Mr. G. B. Page of Commonwealth avenue has returned from a visit in Plymouth, N. H.

—Miss Louise Titon of Haverhill is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. Fred Pond of Auburndale avenue.

—Frank Washburn has been removed to the Newton hospital suffering from an attack of pneumonia.

—Mr. Howard Crandall has resigned his position as station agent at Woodland, and will engage in the boat building business.

—Miss Noyes and Miss Jackson have closed their Auburndale residence and are visiting Mrs. Wells in Kingston, Rhode Island.

—Mr. George E. Johnson has been appointed a member of the overseers of the poor from this ward, in place of Mr. P. A. McVicker.

—In McVicker's hall, Auburn street, Wednesday evening, Auburndale Lodge 111, held an installation of officers which was largely attended by members. The exercises were followed by a collation.

—A meeting of the Woman's Board of Missions Auxiliary of the Congregational church was held Wednesday afternoon. The study of Southern China was begun under the direction of Mrs. Pratt. The annual thank offering was contributed and a substantial sum realized.

NEWTON LOWER FALLS.

—The burning out of a grate in a boiler at Blatt and Clapp's Laboratory was a reason for closing their works Monday until repaired.

—Mr. and Miss Vergis of Wellesley Park were accompanied by a cousin, left here for Ponce, Porto Rico, last week, on a visit among relatives.

—Work of rebuilding the boiler house of the Bishop mills, destroyed by fire, is now going on with all possible haste, and will be running as formerly in a short time.

—The following are unclaimed letters at the post office: H. E. Billings, Chas. P. Davis, Thomas Fitzgerald, (River St.), Mrs. Hart, Mrs. H. C. Hart, Mrs. H. C. Hey, Georgia; McLean, Mary McCallum, Mrs. R. L. McCallum, Edward T. Monroe, Mrs. Wm. Pierce, C. H. Rice, Mrs. John Shaker, Frederick Warren, Mrs. John Sedis.

—A portrait of Mr. Luther E. Leland, late head master of the Hamilton school, has recently been placed upon its walls. The picture, a crayon, was executed by Mr. Joseph Baker of Boston. The idea of a suitable memorial to Mr. Leland has been a source of accomplishment through the interest and generosity of his friends and co-workers.

—Mr. Bernard Early of this place was made the recipient of a handsome gold badge emblem with diamond center piece, suitably inscribed, last Tuesday evening at a meeting of Newton Council K. of C., coming as a gift from brother members upon exceeding the degree of past grand knight, and his long membership with the order. After the usual business was concluded ex-Alderman Briston in a few well chosen words made the presentation, which came as an agreeable surprise.

—The death of James Boit at the home of his daughter at Wakefield last Monday, removes a long time and highly esteemed citizen of this place, where he made his home for many years. Deceased had reached an advanced age and enjoyed good health until a short time previous to his death. His honesty, strict integrity and pleasing disposition won many acquaintances and friends. He died in a very large number of tributes to their presence at St. Mary's church. The interment was at the church cemetery.

—Father Callahan of this place is working hard to improve the choir of his church. Miss Alice Mallen, the new organist, has improved the standard of the choir greatly since she took charge last October. Singers are badly needed, however, especially basses and tenors. Any young men or women of any of the Newtons who desire to learn Catholic church music are extended a cordial invitation to join the church. Special plans will be taken with beginners, and no knowledge whatever is required except a fair voice. Apply to Father Callahan.

NEWTON UPPER FALLS.

—A new Chinese laundry has been opened on Chestnut street.

—Mr. John Thomson is improving in health after his recent illness.

—Mrs. Copeland of Eliot street is reported convalescent after a serious illness.

—Mr. Geo. Bender of Providence, R. I., has been visiting friends in this place this week.

—Among the large number of calendars that have been distributed this year, that have attracted more than ordinary attention, is that of Druggist B. Billings. It is simple in design yet especially pleasing and attractive.

—The United Athletic Club of this place has just completed a successful billiard tournament. Mr. John Head is announced as the winner, and for his display of skill was presented with a handsome meerschaum pipe.

—For greater convenience to my patrons, I desire to announce that all calls for my services may be left with Mr. John W. Howe, High street, who will forward them to me with the greatest possible dispatch. Respectfully, HENRY F. CATE.

—Interest is now centered on the 20th annual re-union of Wade school graduates, which takes place Friday evening, Jan. 27, in the hall of the school building on High street. The committee in charge is preparing a program which bids fair to eclipse all former efforts.

—The Pierian Club held an exceedingly pleasant meeting Wednesday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. Nutter on Oak street. Current events of interest were read by each member present, after which the study program was presented, which consisted of a paper on "Girard's days of some of Shakespeare's heroines" by Mrs. Sewall; reading from Max O'Reilly's "John Bull's Island" by Mrs. Fisher. A few moments' social time was enjoyed, when light refreshments were served.

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—A lively fire in a four-story tenement house on Mechanic street, about 1 o'clock last Friday afternoon, caused an alarm for the fire department for about an hour. It originated on the second floor in the closet of a tenement occupied by David Matthews, but the exact cause is not known. The rear of the Matthews tenement was considerably burned while the lower rooms suffered damage from the water. The loss is estimated at \$500. The building is owned by the Saco & Pettee Machine Works.

—The exercises attending the installation of the officers of Echo Bridge Council, Royal Arch Masons, took place on Wednesday evening, in the large hall on High street, and were conducted by District Deputy Grand Regent Burke and suite of Waltham.

—The list of officers: W. A. Leonard, regent; G. Tambo, vice regent; J. J. Kennebeck, sec'y; C. W. Johnnot, collector; F. A. Billings, treas.; F. A. Skelton, past regent; H. A. Smith, orator; H. A. Converse, guide; M. Horrigan, sentinel; T. F. O'Shaughnessy, warden.

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ing through this place about 2 o'clock last Tuesday afternoon. In his wagon was a calf attached to the wagon seat by a rope. While on Boylston street, near the gas station, the rope attached to the jump from the wagon. The strain on the rope caused the wagon seat to give way and Mr. Goodyear was thrown to the ground. His head was badly cut and he sustained several bad bruises. Dr. Thompson was called, and after attending the injured man ordered his removal home.

NONANTUM.

—Mrs. John Stevens of California street is quite ill.

—Mr. Ernest Greene led the Christian Endeavor meeting last Sunday.

—Mr. W. F. Hedges of Watertown will preach at the Beulah mission Sunday.

—The Ladies' Church Aid meets with Mrs. Galway, on Galway street, next week.

—Mrs. James Turner of Crescent street and Mrs. Hall of Rustic street are visiting in Chicago.

—Mr. Michael McCrudden, formerly of Chandler street, now occupies a house on Dalby street.

—"Tan jolly girls" will give a basket-party at St. Elmo hall, Beaufort, Wednesday, Jan. 25, at 7:30 p.m.

—Mr. Hugh Monahan and Mr. Nicholas McMullin returned from Ireland Sunday to their homes on Cook street.

—The car house of the Newton & Boston Street Railway company on Watertown street, which has not been in use for over a year, is being torn down.

—Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Roy of West street have the sympathy of their many friends in the death, on Tuesday morning, of their son, aged seven months.

—The Helping Hand society of the Beulah mission met Tuesday with Mrs. Parkinson on Rustic street. The attendance was larger than at any previous meeting of the year.

—Mrs. Fanny M. Chick, aged 73, died at her home on Lowell avenue Tuesday morning. She had been ill for some time. She was a regular attendant at the North Evangelical church, and had a large circle of friends in the congregation. The interment was in the Newton cemetery.

—Simon Laundry of 84 Boston street, East Boston, called on friends on Dalby street in the early part of last Saturday evening. About 9 o'clock he started home. Near the corner of Watertown and Dalby streets he slipped and fell on the sidewalk, cutting the main artery in his right wrist. He was carried into station 2 and attended by a physician. The doctor found it impossible to stop the flow of blood from the severed artery, and Laundry was hurried to the Newton hospital in the police ambulance. At the hospital he was found to be in a serious condition, and was finally staunched, but not until Laundry was in a serious condition from loss of blood. He is now reported as recovering.

BOSTON AMUSEMENTS.

—Mrs. Fiske continues to delight large audiences of discriminating theatre-goers at the Tremont, where her present engagement terminates on Feb. 4. Wherever Mrs. Fiske appears, and whatever play she presents, theatre patrons have come to know that they may depend on superior entertainment. Mrs. Fiske has a splendid repertoire this season; all her plays—even her one-act pieces—are richly and elaborately staged, and her company is one of the ablest and best balanced ever organized in this country. Those whose emotions have been profoundly stirred by Mrs. Fiske's acting as "Tess of the D'Urbervilles" again this season, those who have been won over by the spell of that great play, those who have seen Sandon's delightful comedy, "Divorc'e," which has seldom been dealt with in English in an adequately artistic way, now see it in Mrs. Fiske's hands produced and performed as never before in this language. As Cyprine in this play Mrs. Fiske is seen at her best as a comedienne, and as a comedienne she has no equal. The scenes in which she is most brilliant are the scenes of the southern moods, one marvels at the versatility with which she acts them. The Sea-board Air Line has at considerable expense secured the services of a former citizen of New England, a real live hustling Yankee, Mr. St. John, a native of Connecticut, and has given him a place in the management and developed far above any other person that had anything to do with the development of the great western states. The fact that these people are securing the services of such a man is positive evidence that they are not behind in the march of progress. Mr. St. John is located at Portsmouth, Va., and has been put at the head of the Sea-board Air Line, which is now drawing people from the north to the south. He has opened offices in Boston at 306 Washington street, in New York at 371 Broadway, in Philadelphia at 20 South Third street, in Baltimore at 1434 New York avenue, and at each of these places northern men are employed to give information to the west, and to the south, and during the last twelve months more than 4,000 persons have settled along the Sea-board Air Line, and those who think the southern people are slow are badly mistaken. The Sea-board Air Line is owned by southern men, and they are showing by their acts that they are going to have the territory developed in the most substantial way, and they are employing competent northern people to help them.

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NEWTON CENTRE.

—Mr. Herbert D. Ward of Dudley street left this week for New Orleans.

—Mrs. E. Porter of Langley road is recovering from her recent illness.

—Mrs. E. R. Speare returned Wednesday evening after a visit out of town.

—Letter-carrier W. H. Barney has been ill this week at his home on Pelham street.

—Home Lodge L. O. O. F. will hold its annual ball in Bray's hall, Friday evening, Feb. 10.

—Lewis Sanford of Newton Highlands has taken the position of baggage master at the depot.

—Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Andrews of Lake avenue left this week for a visit to Washington, D. C.

—Packages valued at \$100 were taken from one of Hesse's express teams in Boston on day last week.

—The Decree Whist Club was entertained by Mr. Wm. Mitchell, Newton Highlands, Tuesday evening.

—Private G. W. Cobb of Co. C, 5th Mass. U. S. V., returned today to join his company at Greenville, S. C.

—Hesse has disposed of his Newton Centre, Newton Highlands and Boston express to J. Donovan of Boston.

—Mr. Justin McBay, formerly baggage-master at the depot, has been promoted to the position of station agent at Woodland.

—Master Edward Cannon of Clinton place has been removed to the Newton Hospital, suffering from an attack of diphtheria.

—The Young People's union meets next Sunday evening at the Baptist church. The subject is "Shortness and Troubles of Life."

—Knapp & Co. have just received the Bridgton Creamery print butter, which gave such satisfaction to all who tried it before.

—The young son of J. Clark of Langley road, died Monday after a short attack of pneumonia. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon.

—There was a meeting of Newton Centre Lodge, A. O. U. W., Wednesday evening, when a large amount of important business was transacted.

—In accordance with the general request of the residents, the name Albany avenue will be no more. That thoroughfare is now Braintree avenue.

—The annual meeting of the Newton Firemen's Relief Association will be held Wednesday evening, Feb. 1st, at engine 3's house on Willow street.

—Mr. A. K. Stevens of Beacon street, father of E. F. and F. W. Stevens, who recently suffered paralytic shock, is now reported as slowly improving.

—Mr. A. H. Dresser has been elected treasurer of the Newton Centre Trust Company, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of H. K. Dresser.

—The annual meeting of the Woman's Benevolent Society of the First Baptist church was held Wednesday morning, and attended by a large number of members.

—Messrs. John Templer and Frederick Mills of this place attended the banquet of the Franklin Typographical Society in the Quincy Hotel, Boston, Tuesday evening.

—The boys of the First Baptist church will be addressed next Sunday afternoon by Mr. Pitt F. Parker, general secretary of the Newton Y. M. C. A., who will give a chalk talk.

—The topic of the pastor's sermon at the Methodist church next Sunday evening will be from "Some Conversations of Jesus with Young Men," the special sub-ject being "With a Servile Governor."

—Last Friday evening at the First Baptist church the annual church meeting was held. The old board of officers was re-elected and several reports read. An adjourned meeting will be held this evening.

—Messrs. Darrell & Waugh have made a decided innovation by combining the grocery store, (formerly I. R. Stevens), with the market run by E. W. Darrell. This will be a great saving of expense to them, which will be to the advantage of their customers.

—The Maria B. Furber Missionary Society met Monday afternoon in the chapel of the First Congregational church, and elected officers for the coming year. Mrs. Durning gave an interesting address, and Mr. Wm. Cobb played a piano solo. Refreshments followed.

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—Mr. J. Safford Washburn, a non-commissioned officer of the U. S. Cavalry, and son of H. Washburn, Sudbury street, has joined the U. S. cruiser Chicago, now lying at Brooklyn navy yard, N. Y. The Chicago is to be the flagship of the European squadron, which is to visit England, France and Russia during the coming summer.

—Following is the list of letters remaining in the post office: Mrs. J. L. Brackett, Pleasant street, Frank A. Clapp, Katie Harris, Mrs. A. C. Holbrook, Emma Johnson, Mrs. P. D. Keyser, care Louis M. French, Mrs. Mary F. Lewis, W. H. Lincoln, Mrs. Edwin S. Nagle, Mrs. Annie M. Patterson, Mrs. A. M. Rice, 40 Crescent avenue.

—Mrs. Catherine Pendleton, widow of the late Mr. Pendleton, died at her home on Cemetery avenue, Sunday morning, after a long illness. Deceased was for many years a resident of this place, and had a host of friends. Five sons and one daughter survive her. The funeral services took place Tuesday morning at 9:30, from the Church of the Sacred Heart, Rev. Fr. Whaley officiating. The interment was at Holmwood cemetery.

—James W. Bryson of this place was brought before the police court last Saturday morning by Patrolman Allen of division 3, charged with larceny from a building. Bryson was being living in a dis-tressed shanty, and according to the complaint made by the police, has been terrorizing the neighborhood of Cook city. A few days ago Patrolman Allen and Groth visited the shanty, and on their approach Bryson left in a hurry through a rear window, and escaped the patrolmen after a long chase. In the shanty was found a quantity of provisions which were stolen from H. Maguire some weeks ago. Bryson was arrested, and in court last Saturday morning was found guilty and sen-

tenced to the Concord reformatory. He appealed.

—Chas. Spanks has a light attack of grip.

—Skating on Crystal lake is reported excellent.

—Chas. Dudley is reported as improving in health.

—Associates block has been renamed "The Grafton."

—Miss Martha Giles has recovered from her recent illness.

—Mrs. W. E. Webster is recovering from a few days of illness.

—Mr. Oliver Story of Pleasant street sailed Friday on the St. Louis for Europe.

—Mrs. E. L. Allen and family of Montvale road returned Wednesday from Scranton, Pa.

—"The Supreme Prayer" will be the topic at this evening's prayer meeting at the Baptist church.

—Mrs. A. R. Dyer has been dangerously ill at Washington, D. C., but is now thought to be improving.

—Miss Donaldson has accepted a situation as bookkeeper with the new firm of Messrs. Darrell & Waugh.

—At the Unitarian church next Sunday Rev. H. H. Saunders of Waverly will preach. Sunday school at 11:45.

—The annual meeting of the Unitarian society of Newton Centre was held Monday evening in the church parlors.

—Mrs. Bird's concert, "In a Persian Garden," given last Wednesday evening, at the Unitarian church parlors, was quite a success.

—Miss Francis J. Dyer addressed the class in current events of the Newton Society. Wm. Ward at the meeting in Bray small hall yesterday morning. Guests of the club members were present.

—Mr. Roger Burke of 95 Tudor street, South Boston, reported to the police that he had a horse and carriage stolen, which he left standing in front of the Newton & Boston street railway power house about 1 o'clock yesterday morning.

—An entertainment is announced by the Newton Patriotic Club for Tuesday, Jan. 24th, in Associates' hall, to be furnished by the following talent: Mrs. Allen Hubbard, violinist; Philomena Octet; T. E. Stutson, comedian; Mr. G. Fred Gridley, reader.

—The homing instinct of the pigeon was illustrated afresh this week by a carrier pigeon belonging to Mr. William Webb of Beacon street. Over two years ago the pigeon was taken to the Cape for a trial, and did not return until this week. It is supposed that it had been kept shut up for some time as one of its wings had been cut.

—Miss Florence Robbins of Centre street, who has recently moved here from Boston, has had an exhibition this week at the Mechanics building in Boston, her pet cat, Julius Cesar, a handsome tortoise shell, weighing 24 pounds, which has been admired by hundreds of people during the exhibition. It drew two prizes there.

—The organ for the Methodist church, which was built by the firm of George S. Hutchings & Co. of Boston, is now ready to be installed. It will be dedicated as soon as the church can receive it. The organ is a \$25,000 instrument and will have a casing of quartered oak, with displayed pipes treated in dull Roman gold. The organ previously used in the old church is now doing service in St. John's Episcopal church at Arlington, it having been rebuilt to meet the needs of that church.

NEWTON HIGHLANDS.

—Skates sharpened, locks repaired, keys made. Sherman's Hardware store.

—Among the patents issued to New England inventors is one to Mr. L. W. Penney of Eliot.

—Miss Foggy, who has been quite ill for three or four weeks, is reported to be improving.

—Mr. E. Thompson of Hartford street has been laid up with the grip for two or three weeks.

—The Monday club will hold its next meeting with Mrs. Wetherbee, 36 Dickerman road, Eliot.

—Miss Bertha O'Connor is teaching at Waban school as a substitute for one of the teachers who is ill.

—Mr. and Mrs. Strong of Erie avenue have an increase to their family circle by the birth of a daughter.

—The next meeting of the C. L. S. C. will be Monday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. O'Donnell, Erie avenue.

—The West End Literary club will hold its next meeting on Monday, at the residence of Mrs. Voss, Erie avenue.

—All Souls Unitarian church, Highland club hall, Rev. Wm. Safford Jones minister. Morning service at 10:45; Sunday school at noon. All cordially invited.

—Mr. and Mrs. John Walsh of Bowdoin street have an addition to their family by the birth of a son. Mr. Walsh is one of the letter carriers at the Highlands.

—Sunday morning, Feb. 5, there will be a special service at All Souls' Unitarian church. Rev. F. B. Hornbroke of Newton will lecture on "Christian Science."

—Mrs. Wheeler, who was very ill with the grip and was taken to the Newton hospital, where she has been a patient for several weeks, is now on the mend.

—Miss Sibley's missionary address on China at the Methodist church last Sunday evening was admirable, and held the closest attention of the large congregation to the end.

—Mr. W. B. McMullin, the builder, will erect a three-apartment house on his lot on Cook street, which will be of superior style and finish to the apartment house built by him a few years since.

—A Unitarian parish social will be held at the residence of Rev. Wm. Safford Jones, 14 Hartford street, Friday evening, Jan. 27. All members of the congregation are invited to be present.

—Mr. D. W. Spooner of Newton Centre, formerly of the Highlands, has a cellar started for a house on Plymouth road, Eliot terraces. Mr. T. D. Sullivan, the well-known contractor, has the contract for the cellar.

—Rev. Lawrence Phelps has accepted a call to be the pastor of the Congregational church at Leominster, Mass., which has been under the pastorate of Rev. Dr. Scott. Mr. Phelps will soon enter upon his new duties.

—The second neighborhood conference under the auspices of All Souls' Unitarian church will be held, by invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Moulton, at their residence, 1028 Walnut street, Sunday evening, Jan. 29. All interested in church music,

wether singers or not, are cordially invited.

—The firm of Crowell & Dorr has dissolved and Mr. Crowell will continue the business.

—Mrs. Gilbert, who occupies an apartment in the Patterson building, and who has been ill for many weeks, is very much improved.

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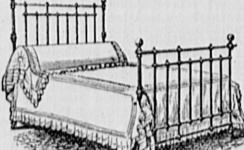
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Mr. Garrison officiating. The interment was at the Newton cemetery.

—Ex-Mary Henry E. Cobb and family leave soon for a tour through Mexico.

—Mrs. William A. Parks of Park street has recovered from her recent illness.

—Mr. H. M. Trowbridge has been ill at his home on Hunnewell avenue this week.

—A part of the oratorio "Elijah" will be given at the Eliot church Sunday evening, Feb. 5.

—The Jefferson Club holds its first grand ball in Armory hall, Friday evening, Feb. 10.

—Mr. Sterling Elliott of Maple street has been in New York attending the cycle show in that city.

—Patrolman and Mrs. Edward P. O'Halloran are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

—Miss Florence Crawford, who has been a guest of Miss Maude Bush, has returned to her home in New Braintree.

—Rev. Bradley Gilman of Springfield will occupy the pulpit of the Channing church next Sunday morning in exchange with the pastor.

—Mr. J. Howard Nichols and family have closed their Sargent street residence and are in Boston for the remainder of the winter.

—The meeting of the young people's society of the Immanuel Baptist church next Sunday evening will be in charge of the prayer meeting committee.

—An organization recently formed to oppose the laying of electric car tracks on Boylston and Tremont streets, Boston, has chosen Mr. Sterling Elliott as its president.

—At the Methodist church next Sunday evening the pastor will continue his talks on "Conquest," taking for his subject, "The First Fruits, an Incomplete Conquest."

—Mr. Samuel L. Powers was one of the prominent men present at the Dartmouth Alumni dinner in Boston, Tuesday night. It was a very enthusiastic affair, as are all Dartmouth gatherings.

—The chorus of the Eliot church choir has recently organized with the choirs of these officers: Mr. Edward Bacon, president; Miss Edith Clarke, secretary, and Miss Gertrude Hall, treasurer.

—About 12 o'clock last Tuesday evening the burglars made an attempt to enter the stable of Mr. A. E. Rogers on Waverley avenue. The intruders made so much noise that they aroused the coachman, who frightened them away.

—The offering next Sunday at the Eliot church will be for the support of the North Evangelical church at Nonantum.

—Miss Esther F. Wilder entertained the Neighborhood circle at her home on Fairmount avenue last Friday afternoon.

—Mr. Samuel L. Powers has been chosen a member of the executive committee of the Sons of New Hampshire association.

—Mr. Stephen Moore has been elected a member of the board of directors of the Florence Crittenton Home society of Boston.

—Citizens in general discuss the Philip pine question. They know that the best hair-cutter in Newton is Burns, Cole's clock.

—The Newton Choral society held its regular rehearsal last evening under the direction of Mr. H. T. Wade in the Y. M. C. A. rooms.

—An entertainment is to be given in the parish house of Grace church Wednesday evening, Feb. 8, under the auspices of the Hiddesey South District Medical society.

—Before a large company of ladies at the Woman's association in Eliot church parlor, Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Petree gave an account of mission work in Japan.

—In the Seaman's Friend hall, Boston, Tuesday evening, an entertainment program furnished by the Young People's society of Eliot church was given with much success.

—Dr. J. F. Frisbie and Dr. F. R. Stubbs of Centre street were present Friday evening at the mid-winter meeting and dinner of the Hiddesey South District Medical society, held at the United States hotel, Boston.

—The funeral of Mr. John S. Darke, a former resident of this place, took place last Friday afternoon from his home on Boylston street, Boston. Rev. G. A. Gorham officiated, and the interment was at the Forest Hill cemetery.

—Mr. T. C. Parks resigned from the board of Overseers of the Poor on Tuesday evening, having been a member for 18 years. Mayor Willard urged him to remain on the board. Mr. Parks thought, however, he had done his full duty as a citizen, in that capacity, and so refused to serve another year.

—The recent extension of Franklin street has made necessary the numbering of the whole street. The numbers began at Waverley avenue, but the street now extends beyond that point into the Farlow Hill property. Grasmere street and a number of other streets have had to be renumbered for the same reason.

—The fourth series of plays under the auspices of the Entertainment club will be given in Channing church parlor next Monday evening, when the Thespians of Newton Centre will present "My Lord in Liver" and "My Uncle the Colonel." Both plays were given with much success at Newton Centre in December.

—Doll day at J. Henry Bacon's last Saturday was a great success, so far as the applicants for free slippers were concerned. Owners of dolls began early in the morning, and filled the store all day. There were dolls with only one leg, some with two legs, but no heads, and the sizes ranged all the way up to dolls as large as their own smalls. Those that could not be fitted were measured and will have slippers made to order, and so great has been the demand that another doll day is promised

J. EDWARD HOLLIS.

A PROMINENT AND HONORED NEWTON CITIZEN PASSES AWAY.

The death of Mr. J. Edward Hollis last Friday afternoon, caused profound sorrow throughout the city, where he was so well-known. He had suffered for several years from rheumatism, which had assumed a serious form in the past year, and a few weeks ago it was complicated with a severe attack of the grip.

Few men in Newton enjoyed to a greater degree the confidence of the people than Mr. Hollis. He had been a member of the Common Council, of the Board of Aldermen, of the School Board, of which he was chairman, and he might have been mayor had he yielded to the popular demand for him to accept that office. He also represented Newton in the legislature. He filled every position with honor to himself, and his memory will always be intimately connected with the history of the city.

Mr. Hollis was born in the North End of Boston, at a time when that section was the home of many prominent families, and was educated at the Boston high and Latin school. He belonged to the well-known New England family which has produced so many men prominent in the history of this state.

His insurance career started as soon as he left school, for it is more than 40 years since he entered the service of Isaac Dobson, the fire insurance agent of State street, Boston. At that time Mr. Dobson was at the beginning of his famous insurance career, and then represented but one fire insurance company. Young Hollis was office boy, policy clerk, bookkeeper and confidential secretary, whose duties were to carefully dust the floor and counters, and then, taking off his old coat, be ready to receive customers.

The business of Dobson grew apace, for soon the firm was Dobson & Jordan, and they represented 10 fire and life insurance companies.

It is an interesting list to the dealer in insurance antiquities, for hardly one of them is alive today. The Lumber, the Humboldt, the New Haven, the Fidelity, the Metropolis, the Metropolitan, the Manhattan, and the Merchant of Hartford, are a few of the company names which were printed on the cards of Dobson & Jordan, and for whom young Hollis wrote policies.

He remained with Dobson & Jordan for some years, and became chief clerk; but when in 1862 the call to arms came, he went into the service, and served with distinction as a junior officer in the U. S. At the close of the war he took a tour in the West Indies, and spent two years in travel and adventure.

He returned to Boston in 1867, when he entered the service of Cartwright & Ellison. It was not Cartwright & Ellison long after Mr. Hollis entered their service, for soon there was a new sign over the door, and it read Eliot & Hollis & Co.

In 1874, 1875, Mr. Hollis formed a partnership with E. G. Snow, continuing with him the most cordial business relations until Mr. Snow was appointed to a high official position in one of the leading companies of New York.

For the past few years the firm has been J. E. Hollis & Co., and since its inception it has been characterized as one of the leading firms in the country, identifying with it the highest integrity and pureness of business methods.

Mr. Hollis had been the recipient of every honorable office within the gift of the various boards of which he had been a member. He was president of the Underwriters Union in 1876 and president of the Boston Board of Underwriters from 1884 to 1887. He had been president of the protective board, and served on the school committee, and many others, and the burial was in the family lot at Mt. Auburn.

Partridge presided over a full attendance. Several gentlemen spoke of the high regard in which Mr. Hollis was held, and of the high appreciation of his labors on behalf of the protective department. Resolutions of regret were passed.

Whereas, the late J. Edward Hollis faithfully served this association as a director for 12 years, during seven of which he acted as vice-president, and two as president.

Resolved, that we take this opportunity to place upon our records our appreciation of the work which he has so cheerfully performed while actively connected with the management.

Resolved, that the first regular meeting of the school board was held Wednesday evening, with President Banner in the chair and nine members present. Only business of a routine nature was transacted.

Resolved, that the character of the deceased commanded our respect and love, singularly free from selfishness he was always ready to lend his valuable aid to those in need of his advice and assistance.

Resolved, that by his death our association has lost a valuable member, and each of us has sustained the loss of a highly esteemed friend.

It was voted that the flags on the stations of the department be placed at half staff until after the funeral.

The directors voted to attend the funeral in a body.

At the New England insurance exchange meeting Saturday a committee consisting of Messrs. Emerson, Hinckley and Whittemore was appointed to bring before the exchange resolutions in regard to the late J. Edward Hollis. The following gentlemen were appointed by the exchange to represent it at the funeral: F. A. Wetherbee, W. R. Emerson, G. W. Hinckley, S. G. Parsons, B. B. Whittemore.

FUNERAL SERVICES.

The funeral services were held on Monday and the trains from Boston brought out a great number of prominent insurance men and intimate friends.

Rev. E. A. Morton conducted prayers at the house, and at one o'clock services were held at Grace church, which was completely filled with friends from Newton and other places. Dr. S. S. Smith presided and delivered an impressive oration on the life and character of the deceased. Mr. Hollis had been for many years a member of the vestry and had taken an active part in the parish.

Among those present were many members of the present and past city governments and the school board.

The New England Insurance Exchange was represented by a committee consisting of J. B. Cornish, president; Moses R. Emerson, B. B. Whittemore, F. A. Wetherbee, S. G. Parsons and G. W. Hinckley. The Boston Board of Fire Underwriters was represented by E. D. Blake, president; and Messrs. Geo. P. Field, F. H. Stevens, R. A. Bolt, F. P. Carpenter and William H. Brewster.

Other prominent insurance men present were Messrs. E. G. Snow, vice-president, Home, New York; Geo. H. McLean, Citizens Insurance Co., New York; P. E. Rason, U. S. Manager, Magdeburg; Frank Look, U. S. Manager, Atlas Ins. Co.; Chas. E. Galacar, vice-president Springfield Ins. Co.; J. B. Knox, secretary Phoenix of Hartford; Forty members of Edward Kinsley Post 13 were present.

The following thought from a prominent business man of a neighboring city, who is also an assessor, were presented:

"While, as an assessor, my actions must be governed by the laws of this Commonwealth, I am constantly dwelling upon the subject of taxation, seeking for a clear light and hoping for the adoption of newer and better methods, based upon principles of equity and exact justice to all. To

change present views of the great body of the population and arouse them to action is a tremendous task. Could the results of the radical change of the tax laws be made clear and plain to the people of the state, and a union of the intelligence of every town and city within its borders be formed, to inform public opinion and give it expression and force, the end of the struggle for revision of the tax laws would be in sight.

Education is the means to this end. To my mind less than 500 men control the direction of the taxation laws of the state today. Many of this number may be found in boards of assessors, which are, as a rule, adverse to radical change of law, and whose influence upon legislation is not favorable to such a change. Their feeling is, 'let well enough alone,' and not believing that any good can be found in Nazareth, they put it off.

"It appears to my view that the discipline of the single tax idea should teach it by illustration of the actual working of the system through practical example, if anywhere in this country or elsewhere this method of taxation, or any method, nearly approaching it, is in operation. Example goes a long way to convince the doubting mind. Your author says: 'This is the way to do it.' It sounds fine to me, I could understand and believe in it. I would advocate it, but I should like to know just how it would work in practice."

"Our laws of taxation are a strong fabric, strongly sustained. The principle of taxation is ingrained in the constitution of man. He believes it, justifies it, and yields to the burden with cheerfulness. 'I always pay my tax,' the saying goes. The people are loyal to this principle, notwithstanding a feeling of discontent toward the existing tax laws.

"Speed the day when, through a clearer knowledge of the subject, the voice of the people will demand, in no uncertain tones that the former laws shall give way to those more equitable and of even higher justice to all, to the end that capital may not be repelled, but invited that industry in every department of labor may be promoted, through the incoming of new capital and enhanced business energy; that the wages of labor may increase and prosperity and peace reign within our borders."

The subject of the evening was then taken up, "The Complete Naturalist." In opening the discussion, the chairman referred to one reason why the subject does not appear simple to beginners, namely, that the people do not take pains to fix clearly in mind the meaning of the terms necessary in explaining it. A few definitions and brief statements were offered by way of recapitulation, as follows:

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SUP'T. ALDRICH CALLS BOARD'S ATTENTION TO OVERCROWDED NEWTON CENTRE SCHOOLS—SEVERAL APPOINTMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

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THE MERMAID AND THE DUFFER.

By CLINTON ROSS.

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CHAPTER I.

In the first place, Jack met a maid. Don't be astonished, for she was near it—a very modern, strong limbed girl with hair and eyes like those in Enor Cabanel's famous Venus, who could swim like a fish and who could entice you into flirtation, as the mermaid of the old story. For it indeed seems as if all the old mythological tales may be proved in these later days, when your entrancing girl can swim and sail and golf and wheel and ride and shoot and bring down a partridge as easily as a skillfully shot glance may fetch a too susceptible man tumbling to her feet. Jack saw Miss Spencer's, and the light lay golden over the wave crests, and she, with the others, came out of the surf, and her laughter fell like music on his ears, tired with the dry monotony of the civil courts.

"She's my sister-in-law, Priscilla Spencer," Pierre explained to his guest. "The surf is fine today."

"Yes, jolly," said Priscilla over his shoulder. The maid had wrapped her in a bright colored sariot, and she stood there with dripping yellow hair and mocking mischievous eyes. Two bronzed young fellows sauntered behind. He noted their swelling muscles their glowing, ruddy cheeks and tangled hair. "Tom Brinton and Phil Merrivale, you know," Van Brule went on.

"Yes," said Jack slowly, watching the girl.

"And, Priscilla, Mr. Merton," said Van Brule.

"Ah, I'm glad to know you! We all hear so much of you, Mr. Merton," said she.

"You are thinking of Sanford and Merton," said Merrivale, who was of our day at New Haven.

"No, I am thinking of John Merton, the corporation counsel," said Priscilla, giving him a cool, dripping hand.

"I declare I don't believe I shall do else but think of you for the rest of my days—Pierre's sister-in-law," said Jack not stupidly at all, and Pierre thought that Amy, the hostess, might have been wrong when she said she was fearful Merton prove too heavy for the rest of that crowd. A clever man like that is all right anywhere, Pierre mused sentimentally, in which, as the context will show, he was quite in the wrong.

"We shall meet at dinner," said Priscilla, nodding back, and they ran up the path to the red shingled house which stands on the cliff over the stretching sea, where you can hear ever a murmur of tragedy against the comedy of summer lives.

Now that answer to Priscilla was the one easy remark that Merton made during all the eventful visit. It was not indeed a studied remark, but rather the expression of a premonition. His uneasiness began before dinner in the drawing room.

The Van Brules ended the long summer day by dining at 9. The dinner coated crowd, the damsels in fluffy things—that show simplicity at the cost of heavy checks from papas or guardians or husbands—seemed very conventional after that first scene by the sea. But it was all surprisingly delightful after the hot, struggling town Merton had left—so the splendor of Paris days burst on me just from bright days of storm on the north Atlantic. Merton was like an American in a Parisian drawing room who can't understand the flow of phrases, a play of sport around him, animating all, which lay quite beyond his immediate comprehension. They talked of boating, and swimming, and wheeling, and golfing, and records, and of events in the circle where all were intimates. He was an outsider, a savage suddenly admitted. He could have told them a world they did not know of affairs, but they only would listen with polite acquiescence, voting him a bore. He saw that at once. He



"She's my sister-in-law, Priscilla Spencer," Pierre explained.

He vaguely chagrined. His self esteem, pampered by so many successes, was piqued. The hostess tried to put him at his ease, but confided afterward to Van Brule that he quite tired her out. Finally the mermaid entered; no, not the mermaid, but a demure, laughing Priscilla. She was quite a different being. Tom Brinton was at once by her side. Merton's eyes followed the pair with vague envy of their apparent intimacy. The butler gravely threw back the doors.

"You will take Priscilla, Mr. Merton," said the hostess.

"You have me, you see," said Priscilla.

"I am delighted," stammered our successful attorney, suddenly feeling an increased awkwardness.

"Oh, I have heard so much of you!" gushed Priscilla.

"Yes, you said it. I don't believe you a bit," he declared, with the desire to assert himself. Why should he be put in the background by these popinjays? He referred to Brinton and Merrivale as those vain birds.

"Oh, you are trying to steal my lightning! That should have been thunder, shouldn't it?"

"It lies in your eyes," said he.

"Never trouble about quotations."

"You are awfully clever and sarcastic, I believe."

"No, I am not. I mean it." She easily saw that he did indeed.

"Now I will return your remark. You are like all men."

"Am I?"

"No, I didn't mean that. You have done a lot of things. What I meant is that you have the art of the compliment."

"You should separate sincerity from insincerity."

"I think I do," said she. She thought him sincere, and her feminine instinct never lied to her, although it did to men.

"But seriously!"—she began.

"I am serious!"

"Do you wheel?"

"Is that serious?"

"No"—He paused. He knew she would hold him in contempt if he said he didn't. He hesitated and was lost.

"Yes, of course. I meant I am not an expert."

"Jack," she called across the table to Brinton, "Mr. Merton is going with us on '30 mile spin tomorrow."

"Am I?" said he at having the magnitude of his lie suddenly thrust back on him.

"Why, don't you want to go?" said she.

"Yes, awfully, but—I am a bit of a duffer."

"Ah, we know better!"

"Do come along, Merton. Van Brule has a stable filled with wheels and horses," said Tom Brinton, although he plainly did not relish the notion.

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"You fibbed, Mr. Merton. Now you must come along."

"Yes, do come along, Merton," Tom Brinton cried.

Merton did not dare to turn about. His machine shied, and as Priscilla turned hers quickly to avoid him it tore the other way with demoniacal persistence. "Oh," cried Priscilla, "I—"

"I beg pardon," said Merton.

"And you golf?"

He had been caught in his first lie, so he answered bravely enough this time.

"No, I don't."

"You miss a lot," and he saw he was falling rapidly in her esteem. The meantime the table were talking the golfing lingo.

"I am sure Mr. Merton does everything," Priscilla laughed the hostess.

"But I don't golf," he repeated stubbornly, now rather wishing that he had said that he did.

"We will have some rides anyway, Mr. Merton," continued the hostess.

"I shall expect them," said Merton. He did sit a horse rather awkwardly.

"And some swims," said Priscilla, which spurred him on.

"If there is one thing I do better than another, it is swimming," he said.

"Oh, I am so glad! You know, I'd rather be in the sun than to eat."

"I saw that," said he, remembering the mermaid.

As they rose from the table Jack Brinton in some way edged to Priscilla's side and presently had her to himself. Our great attorney felt moody. What a detestable beast Brinton was! Why the dickens had he been slaving all his life, when these chaps had all the ease which he lacked, and they were but triflers? Ah, they knew the urbanities, which after all were most worth while. And he—he tried to talk to several young women, conscious all the time of dismal failure. On the beach, under the moon, he could see Priscilla walking with Brinton. Confound Tom Brinton! You see reason suddenly had left this hitherto most reasonable man, left him as a coquette may her victim.

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"I know you have been in that horribly musty office wearing yourself out," said the hostess.

"Oh, no," he said. "Your delightful physical vitality puts that out of the way."

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"Won't you change your mind about that expedition tomorrow?"

She stood on the lower step. Tom Brinton's cigarette glowed by her side.

"I think I'll remain firm by my resolve," he said laughingly.

Yet when he was up stairs he did not feel the least like laughter. The sea lay fair and mysterious in the yellow sheen. If he ever were back in town, he would have a wheeling and a golfing and a swimming master. And he had said he could wheel and swim now! Ah, he must. He would learn the wheel early tomorrow, and remembering he rang and told the man to call him at 6. He certainly could do that. As for swimming, he could a little. To be sure he hadn't been in the water for years, but at least he could make some sort of an appearance if he didn't venture out too far. Of course he had exaggerated in saying that it was the one thing he could do better than another. He smiled grimly. "I seem to be getting to be quite a liar. And why?" He answered himself. "She's the most interesting girl I have seen in a long time, I'm sure."

CHAPTER II.

Ferguson, the groom, was one of the most observant of his kind and, being much with his master and mistress, was an accurate measurer of men. From his very walk he could tell you whether

a man was accustomed to a horse, and now that wheels had come into his province he could put instantly your wheeling gentleman, and, standing there at the stable door, his arms akimbo, his round, claret colored cheeks touched with the sunshine that brought out the ruddy glow a temperate but regular attention to the whisky flask had given, he decided that this gentleman in the very new breeches and stockings was not an old hand. "This's what'll suit yez, sor," he said, taking the room from the host. He noted that the gentleman didn't mount in the driveway, but went down into the road.

The air was deliciously soft that morning. The sea had changed its roar to a murmur. Merton felt the moment inspiring, although a certain derision he had fancied in Ferguson's manner picked him. "I'll show 'em," he said, now well out of view of the house. The road stretched white and level direct into the land. Not a creature was in sight, and so he began.

But suddenly this thing of steel and springs became animated and refused like a mustang, and when he was mounted bucked. Picking himself up, covered with the white dust of the shell road, he tried it again, with the same result. Hot and already tired, he kept at it stubbornly. He was not the man to yield at a trifle. But this trifle suddenly seemed to have gained extraordinary importance, to be entirely out of the catalogue of mere trifles. A boy in a milk cart stopped and laughed. Several others were summoned by the milk boy, who evidently wished to have his mirth shared. But Merton kept on until finally he had the thing going, but uncertainly. Every time he was a bit more proficient. He found himself wheeling with some ease and thinking that per-

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PURITY IN POLITICS.

Mr. Elihu B. Hayes of Lynn was elected president of the Republican Club of Massachusetts at the annual meeting, Monday evening, and on taking the chair made a most timely speech, in which he called attention to some of the dangers that now confront the country. They are in the same line as have often been pointed out by this paper. Mr. Hayes is evidently not an easy optimist like Senator McKinley, who has announced that we have no serious public questions at home that need disturb us, and so we can go to Asiatic islands to find trouble.

Mr. Hayes, on the contrary, thinks that the greatest danger in the new political questions that are on today lies in the probability that they may distract the public attention from the dangers that menace the public interest in our great centres of population. The boss and the boulder are still with us, growing in strength and influence, and it is the duty of patriotic and public-spirited men to check them. The conditions in our great cities are such that there must be united and intelligent effort if the rights and privileges of our citizens are to be preserved from the spoilers.

Mr. Hayes also said that extravagant expenditure of public money is another local danger. Our state debt is alarmingly large. The expenditures in nearly every state department have greatly increased within the last few years. Our municipal governments are even more extravagant. It is not safe to continue such a debt-increasing policy as has been adopted at the state house, in the city of Boston and in other municipalities in the commonwealth.

These dangers are surely threatening enough to give food for thought to all interested in good government, and possibly an exciting foreign policy is desired by the politicians to call attention from the many cases of misrule and corruption at home.

Mr. Hayes thinks we are to be congratulated because we have no boss in Massachusetts, but there is a difference of opinion about this, and the general impression is that we have a very well-organized and effective machine here, ably handled by what outsiders would call a boss. How else, it is asked, could all rival candidates have been kept out of the field and Senator Lodge have been re-elected, when he is certainly not popular outside of what might be called machine circles?

One surprising tendency of the times was illustrated at this same meeting of the Republican club, when Hon. George von L. Meyer, in addressing the club, spoke of the tremendous responsibility involved in deciding upon the policy to be pursued in regard to the Philippines, but the club must not "anticipate or hamper in any way the policy of the administration" until it has carried through all its plans, when "it may become necessary for us to take a stand upon some of the public questions that may confront us." In the old days of the Republican party it would have been impossible to have kept its members from expressing their sentiments when a radical change in the whole policy of the country was threatened, and the time to take a stand would have been considered to be the time before changes were carried into effect. But evidently we have changed all that, and nowadays we must hold no views on anything the party managers may try to push through, for fear of hampering them, but after they have accomplished their work, then "it may become necessary for us to take a stand" and have some opinions on great public questions. If this sentiment was given out in New York or Pennsylvania, we could all point to it as showing the evil results of machine politics, in taking away all right of independent judgment from the individual.

The plans are now perfected for the proposed improvement of the valley in which Strong's pond is situated, and the Brighton Improvement Association has done a great work in initiating these improvements, in which a large section of Newton is included. The plan proposes to widen Kendrick street from 40 to 60 feet, and the Farlow Hill Land Trust will give the land needed for this along their property, which is nearly half a mile in extent. Nonantum Hill is also plotted out in streets, by the easiest available grades, and one avenue takes the place of the present roadway leading to the Fuller estate, and continuing over the crest of the hill to Newton. The Brighton Improvement Association also has plans for the improvement of the land between Faneuil and Newton, which include the extension of Hunnewell avenue to Oak square, and the building of a new street from Hunnewell avenue around Bigelow Hill to the Faneuil depot, where the street goes under the tracks to connect with the proposed Charles River boulevard. The scheme for a new station between Newton

and Faneuil may come along with these improvements, as it is reported that President Bliss has stated that the reason the new Faneuil station was so small, was that more frequent stations would have to be built in the near future, to accommodate the people along that section, and when the change is made from steam to some other motive power, which will probably come in a very short time, more frequent trains will be put on, and stations will not need to be so far apart as they are at present. The next few years will see great changes in all that district along the line between Brighton and Newton, and it is not improbable that Boston will brace up sufficiently to widen its portion of Tremont street, between Oak square and the Newton line. That is now the most dangerous section of road in the suburbs of Boston.

PETITIONS are in circulation asking the president and directors of the Boston Elevated Railway to allow the Newton & Boston cars to run over their tracks to the subway. President Parker said that they agreed to give such permission, whenever there was a public demand for it, and now the residents of Newton, Watertown and Brighton are signing the petitions in large numbers. People with humanitarian impulses would gladly see this permission granted, as it would show the Boston Elevated that vestibule cars can be safely run on Boston streets, and that there is no necessity of exposing the motormen to such suffering from the cold in winter weather. A half-frozen motorman can not handle his car as efficiently as one who is kept comfortable, but it is the expense of making the change to vestibule cars, rather than worry over public safety, that causes the Boston Elevated to oppose the vestibules.

NEWTON has lost one of its most honored citizens in the death of Mr. J. Edward Hollis. He has served the city in many capacities, and always with credit, and in a way to increase the respect that was felt for his upright character and the wisdom of his views upon public matters. At any time during the past ten years he might have been mayor, had he been willing to take the nomination, as he was often urged to accept it, and would have had a practically unanimous election. This shows the confidence his fellow citizens had in him, and it is such men as Mr. Hollis who have given Newton its high reputation among the cities of the state. Of his character as a business man, the many prominent Boston men who were present at the funeral services, and the heartfelt tributes in the daily papers are an eloquent tribute to the worth of the man and also to his capacity for winning the friendship of all who came in contact with him.

THE "embalmed" beef scandal grows worse, the more it is ventilated, and the President's investigation commission are unable to hush it up, in spite of all their efforts. This scandal only shows what kind of a government we would maintain in the Philippines, if they are annexed, with the "favored" contractors and political heelers in command of the islands. Until such men as Alger and his friends are driven out of public life, we have enough to do in securing honest government at home, without seeking for trouble thousands of miles away. But it is these very men who are most enthusiastic for imperialism, as it will not only give them greater opportunities, but will divert public attention from the abuse of their offices at home.

The legislature is hearing all sorts of applications for the increase of salaries of public officials, from State Treasurer Shaw down. There is never any trouble in finding candidates of ability and character for these offices, even at the present salaries, and there would not be even if the salaries were reduced. Of course the state can not expect to compete with the great corporations which have grown wealthy by squeezing the public, but these corporations do not take all the talent there is in the state, and the state officials now make more than the average man.

SOME one who has time to waste has counted 57 Is and my in Senator Lodge's speech, which did not take 30 minutes in its delivery. The same curious person has figured up that the speech was 80 per cent. egotism, 10 per cent. pure assertion, and one per cent. argument. But Senator Lodge had a great duty to perform, and that was to let an anxious world know just what so great a man believed on this important question. Now that he has graciously assured the American people that he still has confidence in them, they can go about their usual avocations with a lighter heart.

It is gravely urged that the "best people" in the Philippines do not follow Aguinaldo, but want to be annexed to the United States. It is only a case of history repeating itself. In our Revolution the "best people" in the colonies did not favor independence, and if they had had their way we would still have been a colony of Great Britain. But we used to call such people traitors, and most of them were driven out of the country.

THEY are bringing in bills to place the telegraph companies under the control of the gas commissioners, but these same commissioners do not seem to have much control over the gas companies, as shown by the Whitney gas and coke monopoly, to take one prominent case out of many.

MAYOR WILSON has not used his axe at City hall this week, but it is said that he is having it sharpened.

D. A. R.

The Lucy Jackson Chapter, D. A. R., of Newton, was entertained delightfully at the Newton clubhouse on Tuesday, by Mrs. Charles Dennison. Miss Fanny Allen assisted Mrs. Dennison in receiving, together with Mrs. Whidden, Mrs. Bullard, Mrs. L. G. Pratt, Mrs. James Carter, Mrs. George Hutchinson, Mrs. Friend, Mrs. Ellis, Mrs. Sherman, and Mrs. John Carter. Miss Elsie Bennett, Miss Lucy Allen, and Miss Homer introduced the large number of guests present to the hostesses. Mrs. Edward Robinson, state historian, read an interesting report on the work accomplished the past year, in the Massachusetts Chapters. Refreshments and music completed the afternoon's program.

THE LEGISLATURE.

MANY NEWTON MATTERS COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEES—WHAT NEWTON MEMBERS ARE DOING, PURITY OF WATER SUPPLY—THE PRISON LEGISLATION.

(Special Legislative Correspondence.)

Beacon Hill, Jan. 25.

The ponderous old mill of legislation is gradually getting limbered up. It takes time, but the number of committee hearings daily increases, and by next week it will not be a question of having bills to hear, but of having time to hear them. Mr. Chadwick has not as yet had a call to meet with his committee for a hearing, but the indications are that the cities' committee will be flooded with measures in the very near future. Mr. Slocum, your city solicitor, took measures to lubricate things on Monday, when Mr. Chadwick offered for him a number of bills on Newton affairs.

Meanwhile, Mr. Langford, having recovered from the attack of grip which housed him for some time, has been qualified, and must make ready for some very interesting hearings in the committee on water supply. One of the earliest will be on the proposition that boating and fishing be permitted on the ponds of the metropolitan water system. On this subject the committee will sit with that on metropolitan affairs. There is already evidence that this bill is a part of a fully developed purpose to win if hard work will do it, for petitions in aid are coming in from all parts of the district which furnishes the water. It is proposed that running water purifies itself after a certain distance, and I suppose that these petitioners do not think it makes any difference whether it runs through a brook, an aqueduct or a water main. On this subject no member of the committee can speak with more authority than Mr. Langford, and it will be pretty safe to leave the decision to his judgment, for he is not likely to agree to anything which will be hurtful or distasteful to the thousands of water takers in the metropolitan district, however much he may sympathize with the desire of the people of the Nashua and Sudbury valleys to go boating or fishing.

The proposed bill will not only be an event in legislation, in most of the members being engaged in drawing bills or waiting for them to be drawn. There was a mild outbreak in the senate on Monday over the question of increasing the salary of Dr. Abbott of the state board of health. He gets \$3000. When he commenced his work as secretary, he received \$2500 and only a small increase was given him. I trust to do their work without his personal supervision of every detail let the senators argue that he was only doing clerical, rather than executive or administrative work. The increase of the business of the office indicated otherwise, but the senate refused to substitute a bill for the adverse report of the service committee. Those who are hoping for a salary raise this year may as well desist at once.

The popular concert by Cheeney's Orchestra, with dancing, was given in the assembly hall of the Boston Club, last evening under the direction of the entertainment committee. In spite of heavy rain a large number were present. Dancing lasted from eight till eleven, and during the evening refreshments were served by the club caterer. A popular program was given and repetition of some of the numbers were demanded. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Haskell, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Stubbins, Mr. and Mrs. Whitman, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Niles, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Powning, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Ryder, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bush, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Buffum, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Ellison, Mr. and Mrs. C. Kendall, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Corey, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Holbrook, Misses Hall, Palmer, Brown, Bush, Hall, and many, many, Whitman, Thayer, Ryder, Knowles, Schaffeld, Webster, Okill, Howard and Milnor, and Messrs. Robinson, Howard, Prescott, Elmwood, Daniels, Crosby, Howe, Allen, Spaulding, Quincy, Morton, Drew, Webster, Hill, Haskell and Loveland.

The bill offered by Mr. Chadwick on the petition of the mayor of Newton that the city may be permitted to make assessments to cover the cost of sewer connections, met with a favorable reception. It will be referred to the committee on water supply, and the committee will then have to decide upon the assessment to constitute a line of sewerage. The assessment may be apportioned and paid in yearly installments, not to exceed five.

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—Mr. Winfield S. Slocom has been elected vice president from this district of the Mass. Republican Club.

—Mr. A. B. Allison's handsome new house on the corner of Watertown and Crafts street is nearing completion.

—The Lend-a-Hand society will hold a business meeting Thursday afternoon at the home of Miss Lida Ross, Walnut street.

—Rev. E. A. Bartlett, who was ill at the home of his parents, Madison avenue, has recovered sufficiently to return to his parish at Hyde Park.

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—Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Linda M. Curtis of this place to James W. Bergstrom, Sunday, Jan. 15, at San Francisco, Cal.

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MUSIC AT 4 P. M.

Processional: Gloria Patri, Elwney Magnificat, Bunnell Nunc Dimittis, Bunnell Hymn, Bunnell Offertory, Bunnell Rectorial, Bunnell —The police have succeeded in securing a description of the man who broke into the house of Calvert Cray, on Foster street, Sunday afternoon. He is described as about 27 years of age, smooth face. He wore a light colored overcoat. The property taken comprised a ladies' heliotrope coat with marlboro collar, a dark brown skin, a broad cloth, both sides a man's black coat, a mixed sack coat, a pair of gray mixed trousers, a black cutaway coat, a brown smoking jacket, and a leather jewel case for traveling containing a pair

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—Mrs. A. Fred Brown of Walnut street returned from New York, Tuesday.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Pray of Kirkstall road are in Rhode Island for a few days.

—Mrs. E. E. Hopkins is receiving a visit from her mother at her home on Newtonville avenue.

—Mrs. N. J. Park announces the engagement of her daughter, Mary Stacy Park, and Gordon Henry Rhodes.

—Mr. Chas. McCarthy of Walnut street resumed work with Mr. U. H. Dyer, after a severe attack of brain fever.

—Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Churchill, who were the guests of friends here, have returned to their home in New York.

—Mr. W. W. Bevery of Clafin place will move to Waltham next week. He expects to engage in the baking business in that city soon.

—Mr. Frederick H. Clark of Newtonville avenue is registered at the Palmer house, Chicago, en route to the copper mines of Lake Superior.

—The regular meeting of Gethsemane commandery was held Tuesday evening. Temple and Malta degrees were worked on several candidates.

—The new block on Washington street is nearing completion. Next week the carpenters will be engaged in finishing the inside of the building.

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—Mr. Fred Bell of Winthrop street is visiting in Maine.

—Mrs. Geo. C. Sanborn of Cross street is quite ill with the grip.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Lovell of Dimmock street are out of town.

—Miss Agnes Chase has returned to her home on Hillside avenue.

—Mrs. J. S. Damon and daughter of Putnam street have returned home.

—Mr. W. H. Leatherbee is reported as convalescing after a severe illness.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bush of Temple street have returned from New York.

—Mrs. Ella L. Sargent of Perkins street, is recovering from a severe attack of the grip.

—Mr. George P. Bullard of Temple street has returned from Jamaica after a few weeks' absence.

—Mrs. S. A. Raulett of Chestnut street, who was reported as seriously ill at a week ago, is rapidly improving.

—Rev. Dr. Buckley of Beverly, formerly of Concord, occupied the pulpit at the Unitarian church Sunday morning.

—"The Question of Partnership" was the subject of the vesper service at the Congregational church Sunday evening.

—The Central police station is to be equipped with a rogue's gallery. Chief Tarbox conceived the idea and will place it in execution at once. He has several hundred photographs of noted criminals many of whom have been captured by the police of this city. The pictures are to be placed in a cabinet, and they will be prop-

erly indexed and have a description appended.

—Mr. W. H. French is convalescing after a severe attack of grip.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Marshall of New York are the guests of friends here.

—Members of Tennyson Rebecca Lodge will give their second dinner social at Odd Fellows hall, Feb. 7th.

—Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Palmer entertained a company of friends at whist, at their home on Chestnut street, Monday evening.

—The annual meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held Tuesday evening, Feb. 7. Several prominent speakers will be present.

—The Home Circle will be held Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Cotting, Cherry street. A large attendance is desired.

—The Newton Veteran Firemen's association will hold its monthly meeting Wednesday evening at the engine house, Watertown street.

—There will be a conference of the Federation club presidents at the Vendome Wednesday afternoon. The subject will be "Club Methods."

—The local branch of the American Legion of Honor sent delegates to the meeting of the grand council in Huntington hall Wednesday evening.

—Mr. Barrows, who was formerly employed in the engineer's department at city hall, left Saturday evening for Washington, where he will remain several weeks.

—A large delegation from the churches attended the conference in the interest of the American Bible society at Park Street church, Boston, Tuesday afternoon and evening.

—The Evening club was well represented in their gathering on Tuesday, though the weather forbade the attendance of a full number. In accordance with the intention of this club to combine literary and social pleasure, they will discuss at each meeting some recent book. "Cyano de Bergerac" was the subject, which had evidently been well studied, and the discussion was bright and interesting.

—Wilfred F. Smith, 16 years of age, residing at 1228 Cambridge street, and Albert L. Chestnut, residing at 1836 Cambridge street, Boston, ran away from their homes Tuesday and paid Newton a visit. About 12 o'clock that night the youngsters were found wandering around Auburndale by Reserve Patrolman Bates. They were locked up, and Wednesday morning were turned over to their parents.

—A letter was received this week by Prof. Parker from the organist of Worcester cathedral in England, informing him that the "Hora Novissima" will be given at the triennial festival on Sept. 14. The writer expressed his pleasure "in the performance in England of a noteworthy work by a noteworthy brother across the water." He also alluded pleasantly to the association of the city of Worcester, Mass., where the oratorio has been twice given, with the present city in England, called "the faithful city."

—The missionary circle connected with the Baptist society met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. K. Burdett, Lincoln park. An interesting address was given by Mrs. Earle, secretary of the North Association.

—Miss Munger, assisted by several of her pupils, gave a delightful program at the Unitarian social last Friday evening. A large and appreciative audience was present. The stage setting is said to have been unusually artistic.

—The Boston Congregational Club, at its annual meeting, elected Mr. Raymond L. Bridgeman one of its executive committee, Mr. Granville B. Putnam, chairman of the outlook committee, and Rev. Lawrence Phelps, biographer.

—A meeting of the West Newton Women's Alliance was held Thursday forenoon in the Unitarian church parlors. The subject was "James Martin and Unitarianism in England." A paper prepared by Mrs. Charles H. Ames was read by Miss Bond.

—On Monday evening the second of the series of whist parties of the Tennyson Rebecca Lodge was given at the home of Mrs. Thayer. The prize winners were as follows: Mrs. G. A. Fewkes, 1st ladies' prize; Miss Nellie Barlow, 2nd ladies' prize; Mr. Thayer, 1st gentlemen's prize.

—John Eliot Lodge, 149, A. O. U. W., held its first meeting under the new officers Wednesday evening. One candidate was initiated and four applications for membership were filed. After the business meeting the company retired to the banquet hall, where they enjoyed an oyster supper given by the new officers.

—Fred J. Read announces that he has resided to 821 Washington street, a few doors above his former location. His specialties for 1899 will include the Columbia, Orient, Victor, Eagle, Dayton, B. & D. Special and Crawford bicycles, all of established reputation and favorites with the riding public.

—A meeting of the West Newton Women's Educational club will be held this afternoon in the parlors of the Unitarian church. A paper on "Clyde and his Writings" by Mr. George Phillips. Selections from his various writings will be read by Miss Marianna Porter. Music will be under the direction of Mrs. T. E. St. John.

—Letters remaining in this office, Jan. 21st, if not called for in two weeks will be sent to read in other offices. The office will be closed at 4 o'clock and fifteen minutes, P. M., for the following purposes:

would be very careful, and he felt that his little, boyish skill would return with some interest. In recording this continued aberration on his part I, too, am inclined to say, "Oh, Priscilla!" How else can you account for so practical a man suddenly becoming queer, how else than "Priscilla" or woman? He had developed a small opinion of himself, and this was another strange symptom. Tom Brinton's dawdling was of more account than all his achievements put together, and he knew this with fierce envy. All of which proves again the axiom that the trifling and the important are but relative.

And so the day drew on, and the low sun sent its sheen from the western hills far out over the waves, turning white crests into kaleidoscopes of color. And then they all came down from the house on the cliff, laughing and jesting, my friend indeed holding his own, but appearing a rather puny figure among those athletic ones. And there was not Priscilla, but the mermaid who was part of her, and perhaps the most of her. And her yellow hair and the sea eyes caught the glimmer of the late afternoon as she dove into the breaker, the others following, and Jack Merton not much behind. Yes, he could swim a bit. He hadn't forgotten. One never entirely forgets that skill. And he felt a certain exhilaration.

And then over the crests some one called to him, an enticing, mocking voice, and there was the very mermaid of the poets pushing before him. What would you, or I, or any man have done but follow? And Merton followed well beyond his depth, that merry voice calling him ever deeper. And then the muscles remonstrated, and he knew he could not keep up. Where was that excellent judgment which had carried him so well in the struggle among men? Here sillily following a girl, he was sinking. All the world and all his past were framed by the green horizon, and he must die. Still she called. The voice seemed to be a refrain of the sea, like Tennyson's verses.

"What's the matter?" she said.

"Don't mind."

She was approaching with long, powerful strokes.

"Lean on me. There," she said, and as her head rose, "I never shall forgive myself. Stop, and don't mind. They never will know. We are but swimming together. Keep back, you, Mr. Merton is but experimenting," she added to Brinton, who called, for they were separated from the others.

"In a moment. Are you tired? Yes, you are. There. We will touch in a moment."

And they touched and soon were in the shallows.

"You'd better go in now and take some whisky. A big drink. It's the best thing."

She turned back to Brinton, who stood beckoning.

"You," she said, "don't you dare smile. If you ever so much as whisper it, I never will speak to you."

CHAPTER IV.

I have represented my friend, good fellow that he is, in such a foolish light that I am glad to say here that he himself told of it, as he had, of the bicycle escapade, and that he himself began to laugh. His secret chagrin, however, was none the less deep. I can't remove the charge of foolishness as far as being disturbed by trifles may go. Yet he resolved to face his visit out, to lessen it not a day, but to make no more attempts in unexplored fields. That might he approached Miss Priscilla on the subject, but she was strangely silent and appeared to avoid him. Yet he hid his discomfiture so well that Mrs. Van Brule confided to her husband that after all she might have been mistaken, and that he was proving an entertaining addition to the house party. But in the night by himself all his provocation cried out: "To be saved by a girl! How ridiculous!" Could he live it down? And then he remembered that he had not so much as said "Thank you." "I don't believe my life appears valuable enough to thank anybody for it," said that disconsolate young man. But he resolved to make amends in the morning, and he found a chance after breakfast.

"I hope," he said, "that you don't think that I fail to appreciate the good turn you did me."

"Oh, don't say anything, please. I was to blame."

"You mean you led me on."

"Please don't talk about it, Mr. Merton," she cried, with surprising pettishness, and to stop him effectively called to Brinton, "Tom, do come here, which Tom did as obediently as if he were her dog."

As the days dragged on she still avoided him.

One night at dinner he said that he was to leave on the morrow. The hostess said she hoped he would make it a week longer, and now really meant so much. Then he noticed that Priscilla was looking at him keenly. How did he interpret her? he asked.

After dinner she called to him:

"Oh, Mr. Merton, do come and walk with me on the beach."

"No, Tom, you can't come."

Then she fell silent, and they were outside by the talking surf. But he could not talk. She turned suddenly.

"You—think me an idiot," she cried violently.

"Why, Miss Spencer, that's what I supposed you thought me."

"Don't be silly," she said. "You are clever and brave and have done things, and you think I only care for these—these people—for trifualities."

"Trivialities seem to me very important lately," he said.

"What do you mean?" she said, looking across the sea.

"I mean that if all these people are trifualities, including yourself, you are the most important triviality in the world to me—if you insist on that definition."

She turned her eyes from the sea to him, and said not at all shyly, but as you might expect a real mermaid to make such a statement:

"And do you know I believe you are the most important to me?"

Now this was in the moonshine, you know, which is eternally putting unreality on facts, so that inside, where he had her to himself in a corner, he said: "But Toan?"

"Oh, we've just been brought up together."

"That's all," he said, relieved. "But I'm such an awful duffer."

"At trivial things," she acknowledged, and then in a lower tone and with a blush:

"I want a man who thinks and acts, and will not be afraid to get drowned—for me."

"If you entice him beyond his depths?"

"Yes, I want him to be enticed, as you were."

THE END.

The Artist and His Work.

The life of a painter, above all of a portrait painter, is one long succession of problems, varying with the nature of the subject in kind and degree of difficulty.

It follows naturally that his processes must vary, too, requiring a longer or shorter time in the working out, for which no infallible rule will serve him. In mechanical labor the rate of the machine's pulse may be gauged with certainty, the moment of completion accurately fixed beforehand. But it is not so in art. There all depends upon conditions that seem to be hourly changing. The mood of the artist, his distrust of the scheme attempted or his entire confidence in it, the state of his nerves, of his general health, may, even the state of the weather—all affect his work. One day it advances well, but on the next self criticism steps in to impede him, and he gains nothing.

The scoffing Philistine ascribes these harts and retrogressions to the weakness of the artistic temperament. Yet they are due to the work rather than to the workman—to the fact that he follows an art and not a trade. No artist can be entirely exempt from this oppressive influence, which arises afresh at each new effort with as many heads as Hydra. There are those, indeed, who estimate the value of their product by the depth and number of the despairs it has engendered.—Scribner's.

Honor for the Gasman.

In Chinese visiting etiquette the rank of the caller is denoted by the size of his card. Thus the visiting card of a high mandarin would be an immense roll of paper nicely tied up. The late Admiral Porter once engaged a full-blooded Chinese servant, and Mrs. Porter immediately thereafter held "a reception." John Chinaman attended the door and received with great disgust the small pasteboards of the visitors and, evidently with an opinion of his own of the low condition of the admiral's friends, pitched the cards into a basket and with scant ceremony showed their owners into the drawing room. But presently the gasman called with a bill—a big piece of cream colored paper. The card satisfied John. With deep reverence he received it. With low salams he ushered the bearer not only into the drawing room, but with profound genuflections, to the dismay of the gasman and horror of Mrs. Porter, right up to the center of the room where that lady was receiving her distinguished guests, and then John, with another humble reverence, meekly retired, doubtless supposing that the owner of that card was a person of high distinction.—Syracuse Standard.

Broke the Rules.

In a well known park in Germany there is a large bears' den which lies at a lower level than the ground about it and is surrounded by a railing.

One day a stranger, while leaning over this rail, lost his balance and fell into the pit. He struck by the side of a large grizzly bear, which at once seized the man's leg in its mouth and completely crushed it. Some bystanders, by the aid of ropes and poles, succeeded in getting the unfortunate man out of the den. He lay in a fainting condition. At this point a policeman stepped up to him.

"I place you under arrest," he said to the wounded man.

"Arrest! What for?" immediately gasped the victim.

"For violating the rules of the park," said the policeman. "Don't you see that notice there?"

He pointed to a sign over the railing of the bears' den, which read: "It is forbidden to feed the animals."—Strand Magazine.

Brains.

A Cornell professor makes an interesting announcement about brains. The main portion of the human brain is composed of the cerebrum, and the portion anterior to it is devoted to smell and known as the olfactory bulb, is sometimes treated as a mere appendix to the cerebrum. But this professor, after comparing brains from all grades of the lower animals, declares that the human brain is an anatomical monstrosity and that in a historical view of the brain the portion devoted to thinking is more properly to be styled a mere appendix to the part devoted to smelling. In some creatures the olfactory portion is much the largest part of the brain.

An Easy Matter.

A colored man entered a downtown grocery store a few days ago and asked for a certain brand of coffee at 20 cents a pound. The dealer informed him that he could not supply him the particular grade desired for less than 25 cents a pound, whereupon the man of color said, "Mr. ——, across the street, will sell it to me at the price I mention." The storekeeper asked, "Why don't you go and get it from him, then?" "He has not got any now," was the man's reply. The dealer in his generosity said, "If I did not have any coffee of that grade, I would sell it to you for 10 cents a pound."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

High School Notes.

The polo team, although working under the disadvantage that they form the first team that has been organized for three years, are doing good work and have improved very much under the direction of Capt. Andrews. If this team can be made a permanent organization, next year they should stand a good show of winning a large percentage of the games.

The regular "school meet," under the direction of the Newton High School Athlete Association, promises to be a great success as it has been during the past season. A good number of men have turned out for training, and on the whole a great deal of interest has been shown. A new feature of the meet will be the polo vault. Kenway, Howes, and Leonard are all doing especially good work in this branch. The school team will probably be made up of Thompson and Leonard. Last year the team, with a large field of men to pick from, was not the other places and substitutes. Seever, Leonard, Frost, Bowes, Greene and Howes, all stand some show of making it. It will be a close division and those who secure the coveted positions will do so only with hard work. The Athletic Association has always been supported by the school and by the former graduates, and we feel assured that their efforts this year will be crowned by the same success.

The "Gamma Epsilon Chi," held a meeting at the home of Mr. Sidney Carter of West Newton, Saturday evening. Games were enjoyed during the evening, after which dancing was the amusement.

The "Feathers," boys of the "Feathers" battalion, will be a close division and those who secure the coveted positions will do so only with hard work. The Athletic Association has always been supported by the school and by the former graduates, and we feel assured that their efforts this year will be crowned by the same success.

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LIST OF NEW BOOKS.

Ashby, Henry. *Health in the Nursery.* 101.918
The book's "aim is the prevention of disease by setting forth the conditions conducive to healthy life during early childhood." Preface.

Beddard, Frank. *Structure and Classification of Birds.* 105.559
Blatchford, Elizabeth M. *Story of Little Jane and me.* 92.831
The story of two little girls who lived half a century ago. Catherwood, Mary Hartwell. *Heroes of the Middle West, the French.* 71.494
Tells of the discovery and occupation of the middle west from the times of Marquette and Joliet to 1763.

Emery, M. S. *How to Enjoy Pictures.* 56.448
With a special chapter on pictures in the schoolroom by Stella Skinner.

Frederick, Harold. *Gloria Magi.* 64.1929
Goss, Warren Lee. *In the Valley; or, Father against Son; Naval Adventure in the Civil War.* 64.1930
Grahame, Kenneth. *Dream Days.* 61.1230
Hall, Newman. *Autobiography.* 95.614
Dr. Hall's autobiography introduces many men of distinction in the past and the present. He gives an account of his visit to the United States during the Civil War.

Hisses, James John. *Over Fen and Woods.* 36.381
A delightful account of a driving tour through Lincolnshire.

Holden, Edward S. *Our Country's Flag and the Flags of Foreign Countries.* 71.495
Kaler, and Ota. *Boys of '98.* 73.335
A popularly written history of our late war with Spain, from the blowing up of the Maine to the close.

Mivart, St. George. *The Ground-work of Science: a Study of Epistemology.* 104.615
Perry, Walter Copeland. *The Woman of the Woods.* 84.465
The author takes the various women characters of mythology and dwells upon the special characteristics of womanhood for which they stand.

Potter, Edward Tuckerman. *Bible Stories in Bible Language; with an Intro. by Henry C. Ray.* 91.963
Ray, Anna Chapin. *Teddy, her Book: a Story of Sweet Sixteen.* 64.1937
Riis, Jacob A. *Out of Mulberry Street: Stories of Tenement Life in New York City.* 61.1231
The episodes are founded on incidents of life in the vicinity and within the precincts of the Metropolitan Police headquarters in Mulberry St.

Robins, Edward. *Benjamin Franklin, Printer, Statesman, Philosopher, and Practical Citizen.* 1706-90.
The first issue of the "American Men of Energy" series, "embrace biographies of American men whose lives and works helped to shape the destinies of their generation.

Skinner, Charles M. *Do-Nothing Days, [Essays.]* 52.658
Stoneroad, Rebecca. *Gymnastic Stories and Plays for Primary Schools: Physical Exercises for the First Two Years of School.* 105.564
Tadd, J. Liberty. *New Methods of Education.* 86.218
Art, real manual training, nature study—experiencing processes whereby hand, eye, and mind are educated by means that conserve vitality and develop a union of thought and action.

Wallace, Edwin Sherman. *Jerusalem the Holy.* 34.471
A brief history of ancient Jerusalem; with an account of the modern city and its conditions, political, religious, and social.

Waters, Clara Erskine Clement. *Angels in Art.* 53.610
A study of the various types of angels which artists have given to the world.

Winthrop, Alice Worthington. *Diet in Illness and Convalescence.* 104.617
E. P. THURSTON, Librarian. Jan. 25, 1899.

There is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomachs receive it without distress, and a few cups of coffee, or a dash of coffee, cost over 1-4 as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cts. and 25 cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

AUBURNDALE.

—Rapid Cold Cure clears head instantly. —Mr. Howard of Prairie avenue is away on a business trip.

—Mr. E. F. Spurr of Riverside has returned from New York.

—Mrs. Thayer of Milford is visiting her son at his home on Ash street.

—Mr. Frank Washburn returned this week from the Newton hospital.

—Fiske Brothers of Waltham will open a bicycle store in Plummer's block next Monday.

—There was a meeting of the Rebekahs at Mrs. W. E. Thayer's on Ash street, Monday evening.

—Patrick Connelly of Weston fell on the sidewalk on Auburn street, Monday, and sprained his ankle.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Pickard of Woodland road leave today for a three months tour through the South.

—Monday afternoon the Young Women's Foreign Missionary meeting was held at the Congregational church.

—The engagement is announced of Mr. Edward S. Johnson of this place to Miss Flora A. Alton of Roxbury.

—Mr. Albert Higgins, son of Mr. Chas. Higgins of Woodbine street, is able to be out after his recent severe illness.

—Last evening there was a meeting of the Wide Awake Whist Club at the residence of Mrs. Fuller on Auburn street.

—The Ladies' Benevolent Society of the Congregational church held its meeting Wednesday morning. Mrs. H. S. Caswell gave an interesting account of her mission work.

—Mr. P. A. McVickar is planning to remodel the front of the old house on Auburn street. The new portion will add much to the attractiveness of the house, and will be looked upon as a great improvement.

—The funeral of Miss Adelaide Stott, who died in Quincey, Illinois, last Sunday, was held Tuesday afternoon, from the home of Mrs. A. F. Winslow on Woodbine street. The interment was at Hopkinton.

—Mr. Patrick O'Donnell died last week at his home on Melrose street, at the age of 71 years. Death was due to old age. He had resided in this place for about 15 years, and had a large circle of friends. He

leaves two sons and four daughters. The funeral was held Monday morning.

—Mr. D. Hunt of Lynn is a guest of Mr. F. M. Conner of Melrose street.

—Mr. Taylor of Auburn street is reported as slowly improving in health.

—Mr. Wilbert Morgan of Central street is entertaining his sister from New York.

—Mr. Rennie Sutherland of Auburn street is recovering from his recent illness.

—Mr. George E. Keyes of Camden road is able to be out again after a week's illness.

—Mr. Craven of Newell road has taken a position in the Allston shops of the Boston & Albany.

—Mr. Howard E. Crandell of Auburn street is suffering from blood poisoning, and confined to his home.

—There are letters in the post office for Mrs. Mary Adams, Mrs. Thomas N. Walsh and Howard D. Straight.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Miner of Lexington street have been suffering from severe colds, and are confined to the house.

—A whist party was given Wednesday evening at the Norumbega club rooms by a number of young ladies of this place.

—Orders left at W. F. Hadlock's news store for William E. Pike, electrician and licensed gas-fitter, will receive prompt attention.

—Mrs. C. C. Bragdon and Miss Bragdon have left this week for Pasadena, California. Prof. Bragdon will soon join them and enjoy a brief rest.

—For some hours Wednesday morning the tunnel under the Boston & Albany's tracks leading to the depot was in an impassable condition. The heavy rains of Tuesday night had caused it to become flooded, and it was some time before the water could be drawn off.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, { ss. LUCAS COUNTY.

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of CATARRH that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S TATTOO.

FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1880.

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NEWTON UPPER FALLS.

—Dr. Lowe is ill at his home on Chestnut street.

—Mr. John Thomas has recovered after a severe illness.

—Mr. John Warren of the Walton house is ill at home.

—Comrade Daniel Hurley of High street is reported as not improving.

—Mr. John Mullen is able to be out again after an illness of several weeks.

—Miss N. M. Bruce of Rockland place is suffering from an attack of grip.

—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ryder have moved into their new residence at 23 Thurston road.

—Special Officer John B. Sullivan of the Metropolitan Park system has been on duty in some of the Back Bay, Boston, reservations.

Evenings of this week special meetings have been held at the Baptist church, which were well attended and particularly interesting.

—Quite a number from this place attended the dance held in Highlandville last Friday evening under the auspices of the hose company of that place.

—Mr. Arthur W. Kelly, editor of the Christian Endeavor World will speak at the Methodist church, next Tuesday evening, before the Young People's Society.

—For greater convenience to my patrons, I desire to announce that all calls for my services may be left with Mr. John W. Howe, High street, who will forward them to me with the greatest possible dispatch. Respectfully, HENRY F. CATE.

—This evening in Wade hall takes place the 20th annual reunion of Wade school graduates. The program includes music and drama, and the committee in charge of the affair are Mrs. John W. Barney, John D. Masek, Harley A. Smith, Mrs. Charles W. Johnson, Miss Mary F. Ryan and Miss Margaret Sullivan.

—There was an early morning disturbance in the Needham side early Sunday morning, which caused some excitement among the residents of this place. Four young men of this place called at a house on Reservoir street and made things rather lively for a while. They were brought before Judge Grove at Dedham, Tuesday, and fined \$20 each.

—The rain and mud did not prevent the success of Mrs. Jarley's Wax work show in Wade hall, on Tuesday evening. The hall was so well filled that some of the spectators were obliged to stand during the performance. Mr. John Heymer impersonator of Mr. John Jarley, was unable to come in person. It was necessary for him to be present, and the show was exhibited by Mr. W. E. Williams, who was dressed in the costume of Mr. John Heymer. The following figures were exhibited: Henry VIII, King; Queen Catherine; Miss "Sovereign"; Queen Elizabeth; Mrs. Tyler; Sir Walter Raleigh; Mr. Morse; Zembla; Miss Dora Small; Alexander the Great; Mr. True; Lord Byron; Mr. Tyler; Maid of Athens; Miss Dennis; Diogenes; Miss Antigone; Lydia; Mrs. Lovell; the Nurses; Mr. Wm. Buffum; Indian Warrior; Mr. Perry; Puritan Maiden; Mrs. Westing; Topsy; Miss Lillian Buffum; Padewski; Mr. Theodore Wood; Rough Rider; Mr. Wetherbee; Spaniard; Mr. Chas. Flint; Lieut. Hobson; Mr. F. W. Johnson; Girl of the Period; Mrs. Arthur Comer; Chicago Maiden; Miss Rice; Boston Damselfly; Mr. W. Bogart; Miss Rice; Mrs. Miss Conant. The characters were admirably represented. After the exhibition which lasted about an hour, ice cream and cakes were served and the evening closed with dancing. From beginning to end it was a charming entertainment, and the quickness and completeness of its preparation reflects great credit upon Miss Wood and her helpers. The money from the arrangements. The chief purpose of the evening were considerable and will be given to the parish treasury.

ITALIANS QUARREL.

—Mr. W. W. Ward and family have removed from Allison street to Lowell, Vt.

—Dr. Stearous, who has been seriously ill at his residence on Watertown street, is reported as slightly improved.

—Miss Florence Bedford led the Y. P. S. C. E. meeting at the North Evangelical church, last Sunday evening.

—Mrs. James Turner of Crescent street, and Mrs. Hall of Rustic street have returned from a visit in Chicago.

—Miss Pauline Bowen, who has been quite ill at her home on Watertown street, is reported as improving.

—There was a meeting of the Church Aid Society of the North Evangelical church, Wednesday evening, with Mrs. Forkland at her home on California street.

—There was a basket party in St. Elmo hall, Wednesday evening, under the auspices of "The Ten Jolly Girls" of Bemis. A large number attended, and the affair was quite successful.

—The Elm whist club met Thursday evening of last week with Mrs. C. A. David at her home on Waltham street. This week's meeting was held at Mr. Fred Johnson's on Pleasant street.

—Early Sunday morning Patrolmen Desmond and O'Halloran of division 2, in a house on West street arrested Antonio Gallo and John Brasie, the latter the proprietor of the house. In court Monday morning they were charged with gaming on the Lord's day and fined \$5 each.

Absolutely pure is the grain made in every advertisement of the Royal Baking Powder and absolutely pure is the verdict of every one who keeps the brand Royal. It is the standard among baking powders, worth the price sold at, because of its purity, healthful bread-making qualities and the strength that makes a small quantity go a long way. No trouble about delicious biscuit and pastry when the Royal is used.

A thorough search of the woods above Woodland was made, and finally Sergt. Purcell caught sight of a man's legs protruding from under a haystack near Fuller street. Seizing hold of them, he dragged their owner from his hiding place. It

WABAN.

—Mr. Chas. H. Cook is on a business trip in New York state.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. Davidson's little son, Donald, is quite ill with pneumonia.

—Mr. Arthur E. Kemp spent last week at the Waldorf Astoria, New York, entertaining some English friends.

—A Mardi Gras and St. Valentine party is planned for Feb. 14th, in Waban hall. It is rarely that these festivals fall upon the same day.

—The Boy's Club of Waban and the Boy's Fortnightly Club of Newton Lower Falls are to have a tug-of-war next Tuesday evening. The Waban boys will be the guests of their Lower Falls friends.

—The second special evening service will be held at St. Paul's church, Sunday, at 7.30 o'clock. In addition to the regular full choral service, Mr. Fred Westing will sing Rodney's "Calvary," and the full chorus assisted by eight extra voices will render "The Works," by Barnes. The service last Sunday night was largely attended and the hearty singing was thoroughly appreciated, and a step has been made in the right direction toward popularizing the evening service.

—The special evening service at the church last Sunday was largely attended and was characterized by good singing and hearty worship. The choir, under the direction of Mr. C. J. Buffum, was augmented by several ladies and gentlemen. The organ, while well played by the choir, was designed to be used in conjunction with the organ. It was, however, supplemented by a duet of Mr. and Mr. Buffum, both most excellently rendered. The service proved so helpful, that for several Sunday evenings, similar services will be maintained. The address next Sunday will deal with "Some Characteristics of this church." All are cordially invited, and the hour is half past seven.

—At a meeting of the general committee of conference, representing the different organizations composing the Lend a Hand Club of the church, it was held last Saturday, at the residence of Mrs. Levi M. Flint, the date of the Eastern sale, was fixed as April 7th and 8th. Careful division of the work was made and a committee of six were appointed to provide such entertainment as lay outside the strict promise of the sale and the supper room. The fancy work and household table will be in the hands of the Ladies Aid Society; the Men's Club will carry on the restaurant; the King's Daughters will sell flowers, lemonade and candies; the Triangle Club will have charge of the triangle piano and the boy's club will provide a mystery table.

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NEWTON CENTRE.

—Mr. George Huggard is reported ill this week.

—Mr. A. W. Weldon of Braehead avenue is ill with grip.

—Master Eugene Beless of Willow street is dangerously ill.

—Mr. Samuel M. Jackson is again on the street after a few days of the grip.

—Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Clafin of Chase street have been suffering from the grip.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Kirtland of Parker street returned this week from New York.

—Mrs. George B. Dillingham of Centre street has recovered from his recent illness.

—The topic for the prayer meeting at the Methodist church tonight will be "Growth in Grace."

—Mr. C. A. Hubbard and family, formerly of Beacon street, have removed to Allendale, N. J.

—Rev. N. P. Dewey, D. D., of Concord, N. H., will preach at Vassar College on Sunday, 29th inst.

—A whist party was given by Mr. and Mrs. Rowan on Tuesday evening at their residence on Oxford road.

—The Village Whist Club met with Mr. Stanley Barton of Washington street, Brookline, Wednesday evening.

—Home lodge 162, I. O. O. F., will hold its eleventh annual concert and ball in Bray hall, on Friday evening, Feb. 10.

—Letters remain in the postoffice here for Nellie J. Donlon, Mary A. Healy, Mrs. Margaret M. Hyde, Samuel Very.

—The King's Daughters Society connected with the Methodist church, met Wednesday evening at 997 Beacon street.

—The Episcopal society has sold the lot on Pelham street, from which the church building was removed last summer.

—Miss May Macdonald, formerly of 263 Church street, Newton, has opened dressmaking parlors at 17 Paul street, Newton Centre.

—The topic at the meeting of the Hale Union of the Unitarian church next Sunday evening will be "Independence of Character."

—Annie, the young daughter of Mr. Patrick Sweeney of Jackson street, is ill at the Newton Hospital, suffering from an attack of grip.

—"With His Greatest Contemporary" will be the subject of the sermon by Rev. George A. Spencer at the Methodist church, on Sunday evening.

—A coffee party under the auspices of the ladies of the Church of the Sacred Heart is to be given Wednesday evening, Feb. 5, in Associates hall.

—There will be a meeting of the Young People's Union of the First Baptist church next Sunday evening. The topic will be, "Conservation, how can we consecrate our time?"

—Mr. and Mrs. S. V. A. Hunter will sail for Europe in February, to be absent several months, and will spend some time with their daughter, who is studying in Germany.

—At Mr. Samuel M. Jackson's house was held a few weeks ago a midnight and the dog barked furiously. Since that Mr. Jackson noticed that a light of glass had accidentally cut out of a front window.

—At the Unitarian church Sunday service will be conducted by Rev. Jas. E. Baylay of Wollaston. Sunday school at 12. Hallelujah at 7:30. Essay by Miss Elizabeth Loring on "Independence of Character."

—The Monday Club was entertained on Monday evening by Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Bowen of Commonwealth avenue. About sixty guests were present and whilst was engaged in. Supper was served by a caterer.

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—Mr. J. W. Foster has been quite ill for the past week or two.

—Mr. J. R. Rossman and family of Erie avenue have removed to New York state.

—A parish social was held Thursday evening at the residence of Rev. Wm. Safford Jones.

—Mr. J. Smith of Bradford road, Eliot terrace, has a cellar started for a house on Carver road.

—Letters remain in the postoffice here for Geo. H. Cook, Bella McRae, Mrs. Goody Nission, Miss Little Roll, Curtis Specht.

—Mr. Otis Potter of Eliot avenue, who has been confined to his home for many weeks by illness, is now slowly improving.

—Mr. E. Thompson, who has been ill with the grip for two or three weeks, has so far recovered as to be attending to business.

—Sunday evening, Feb. 5, Rev. Francis A. Hornbrook of Newton will lecture at All Souls' Unitarian church. Subject, "Christian Science."

—The next meeting of the Monday club will be with Mrs. Nickerson, Lincoln street. Mrs. Helen Well will give a lecture on "Rosetti and his Circle."

—The West End Literary club will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, at 3 o'clock, at the residence of Mrs. Smith, Hyde street. Mr. George will give a talk on "England and its Lake Counties."

—At the morning service at All Souls' Unitarian church, Highland club hall, Sunday next, Rev. Wm. Safford Jones will preach on "The Glory of the Imperfect" Sunday school at noon. All are cordially invited.

—Rev. J. A. Belanger of Brookline, N. H., will open the pulpit at the Congregational church next Sunday morning. The free system was not adopted this year, but ushers will be in attendance to welcome all who may attend.

—Mr. J. H. McAdams sold his estate on the southerly side of Boylston street to Mr. W. Chesley and Mr. D. O'Driscoll. The house is the Lane house, which was moved from Floral avenue and received extensive alterations and repairs.

—Rev. T. W. Bishop will preach at the Methodist church next Sunday morning, subject, "A Prosperous Church," and in the evening, at 7:30, subject, "A Plea for a Credit." Young People's meeting at 6:45. A cordial welcome to all the services.

—The eighth annual of the Congressional society will take place on Wednesday evening, Feb. 1, in the chapel. After the social half hour a substantial supper will be served in the dining room, in charge of a large committee of ladies. An entertainment will follow.

—The second neighborhood conference under the auspices of All Souls' church will be held Sunday evening at 7:30, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Mounton, 1028 Walnut street, between 15th and 16th avenues. All interested in church music, whether singers or not, are cordially invited.

—Rev. Wm. Safford Jones of All Souls' Unitarian church preached last Sunday morning at the First Parish church, Tannerton, for Rev. Alfred R. Hussey, whose marriage to the daughter of Hon. Winslow Warren took place at Dedham last week. Mr. Jones preached Sunday evening at Unity church, Middletown.

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The Newton Federation.

In the spring of 1895 the Social Science Club issued a call to the women's clubs of Newton, to meet and form a federation which should be neither sectarian nor partisan, but hospitable to all thoughts affecting the welfare of the city and the interests of humanity."

The Newton Federation of Women's Clubs represents ten organizations, with a membership of about one thousand. Education and philanthropy are the leading subjects that occupy the clubs individually, and as the Newton Federation, they are making an honorable record along these lines.

A brief statement of the work will show that from the interest taken by the municipal committee in city affairs, grew the appointment of our efficient police matron.

Later the education committee, through a series of lectures by eminent educators, raised a sum of money which was used in the purchase of casts for the High school, and it also was instrumental in founding the Education Association, which is doing good work for the schools of our city.

This winter the household economics committee, having a small fund from a course of cooking lectures given by command, is making a special investigation of the laundry question, hoping thereby to set some of the housekeepers' problems and to furnish work for the unemployed. This is done successfully in other cities, why not in Newton?

The District Nursing Association is appealing to the Federation to assist its benevolent work, and last, but not least, the Old People's Home, which is now established, will be ready to receive its grants.

Want of funds has been a hampering influence in all the work the Federation has done, and in some degree to obviate this difficulty it has accepted the generous offer of Mrs. Philip W. Carter to produce for its benefit. Philip & Sullivan's opera, "The Mikado." This will be given as announced in the Newton Graphic, and an earnest appeal is made to all club members to give to all citizens of Newton, who believe in the work undertaken by Women's Clubs, patronize these performances, and while securing a great pleasure for themselves help the Federation to a position in which it can be an honor to itself and a credit to Newton.

MARY R. HILL.

Woodland Park Hotel.

Mr. James Buchan, agent of the Dudley Mills, is on an extended trip through the milking cities of New York state. During his absence Mrs. Buchan and daughter are visiting at the country home of the Hon. George B. Inches, at North Grafton, Mass.

Mr. C. C. Butler of the Woodland Park Hotel attended the annual meeting of the Butler Milling Co. at Lowell, and was re-elected one of the directors.

The second in the series of the Woodland Park assemblies was held at the Woodland Park Hotel, Saturday evening, Jan. 21st. Some over forty couples enjoyed the dancing. The costumes of the ladies were very handsome and effective. The waiters were Misses E. M. Prentiss, Mrs. C. C. Butler, Mrs. W. H. Pratt, Mrs. W. H. Miller, Mrs. C. C. Butler, Mrs. C. C. Butler.

Mr. E. L. Pliskard entertained friends at a dinner at the hotel, Wednesday evening.

Mr. Butler furnished the collation at the first of the Charity sociables held at the Waban hall, Waban, Tuesday evening, Jan. 25th.

At an entertainment held at the Wade school, Newton Upper Falls, Tuesday evening, Jan. 27, Mr. Butler furnished the collation.

Mr. Willis Bumstead was in New York for a few days this week.

The following were at the hotel during the week: Mr. Edgar N. Wrightington, Dr. J. Frank Perry, Boston, Cushing Hill, Boston, W. H. Pratt, Boston, Louis H. Schneider, New York.

Daughters of the Revolution

Members of the Sarah Hull chapter, D. R., met at the Hunnewell club house, Newton, on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 21, from 3 until 6 o'clock, with Mrs. L. G. Coffin, Mrs. D. S. Emery, Mrs. F. E. Stanley, Mrs. W. H. Foss and Mrs. J. B. Fuller as hostesses.

The regent, Mrs. Alexander M. Ferris, presented a program, which was well received, the interest and enthusiasm which have prompted a full attendance at the chapter meetings. After the items of business had been disposed of, an interesting musical and literary program was given by many police officials in this country. The regent for this year, from the impeachment of this class of evidence in the past, or from the continuous discharge of the defendant, I do not feel at liberty to state, but that the condition exists, there is no doubt, and in all the persecutions for violation of the liquor law in this city I have never used the so-called "spotter" to gather evidence, and only have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice, that, by publishing this location in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Newton Graphic newspaper published in Newton, the last publication of record, he will be entitled to a sum of \$1000 for his services.

—The person who is most anxious

to have the laws enforced, and who could easily put the officers in the right direction to procure evidence to convict, is the officer for doing that which is almost impossible for him to do without some outside assistance. It is quite easy for men to stand on the record and say what he would do in that capacity, but in the same position he would accomplish as little as those who preceded him.

The successful administration of a police department must depend to a great extent upon the efficiency of men appointed as subordinates, and concerning this I want to refer briefly to some points which warrant attention.

—While the unavoidable reputation gained by many police officials in this country will prove to have been largely augmented by their wide experience in dealing with criminals, A knowledge of crime and criminals, so essential in police work, can only result from study and experience. It must, however, be admitted that the limited opportunity for gaining such information at the expense of the police departments has not been sufficient to excite the interest that would be created under a different system, a system that would have for a basis a complete method for the identification of the criminal classes, and which would enable the departments to work more successfully and in greater harmony."

DUTIES OF THE POLICE.

LECTURE BY CHIEF OF POLICE TARBOX BEFORE THE Y. M. C. A., WEDNESDAY EVENING—DUTY OF CITIZENS TO AID INSTEAD OF UNJUSTLY CRITICISING OFFICERS.

Chief of Police Fred A. Tarbox was the speaker at the popular lecture in the Y. M. C. A. series Wednesday evening. The lecture was well attended.

Mr. Tarbox illustrated his lecture with a large number of photographs. He also narrated a number of interesting incidents in connection with his career as